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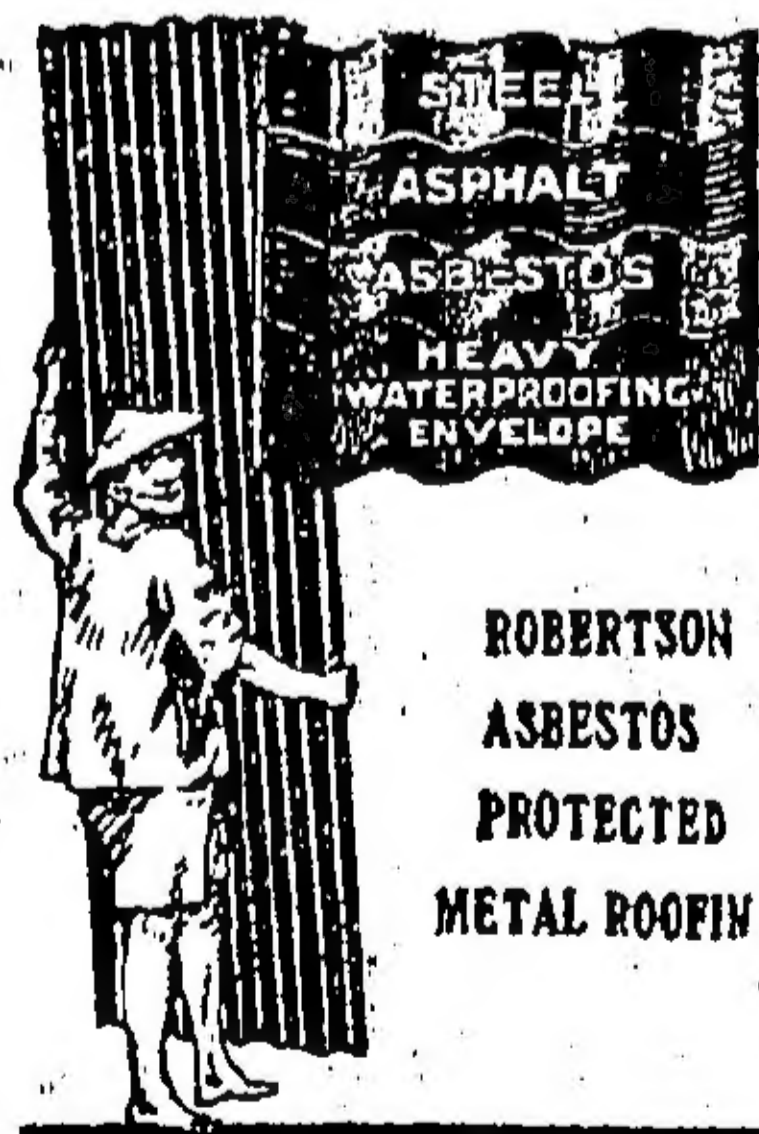


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THE POSITION TO-DAY.

Sir Paul Chater And the Amended Plans.

The erection of the new Hospital in Kowloon and the discussion regarding the staff and accommodation has temporarily overshadowed the question of the erection of another hospital in Hongkong to form part of the Colony's War Memorial Scheme.

Some months ago (before the strike) when the site was cleared, a "China Mail" representative made enquiries as to why no work was put in hand. He was informed officially that there was a temporary delay as the cost of erection along amended lines approved by Sir Paul Chater was greater than the money in hand.

At the time, Sir Paul Chater was not in the Colony, and it was proposed to wait until he returned before commencing work. "Since the strike and subsequent trade depression it has not been thought that the time was opportune for considering the matter again.

With a view to clearing up certain points, a "China Mail" representative called on Sir Paul Chater. He was informed that the published statement with regard to a change of site having been under consideration was entirely without foundation. The matter was as it stood before, and eventually there was no doubt about the erection of the hospital on the site cleared. It had not come in for consideration as the trustees had been engaged on the more important question of restoring confidence between Canton and Hongkong.

There could be no question of dropping the scheme, added Sir Paul Chater. The money was in hand and the delay would not result unfavourably from the point of view of interest on money in hand. There was, however, the question of the original contract to be considered as the Chinese in question were still absent from the Colony.

The money in hand, it will be recalled, is about a million dollars which was to go towards erecting and furnishing the Government having granted \$200,000 of this as well as the site. This has been cleared for some time and the delay in the putting in hand of further work is therefore explained. The Hospital, which will stand above the new motor road to the Peak, is to have grounds comprising in all 12 acres. It will be about 700 feet above sea level and patients should have a fine view from it of the Harbour and Happy Valley. It will have the advantage of being shaded from the evening sun and of being in a position to catch the health-bringing south-easterly breezes through Middle Gap.

Accommodation is to be provided for 35 single rooms and there will be two free wards of 10 beds each which will be named after the late Mr. Granville Sharp

and his wife Matilda Sharp in accordance with the terms under which a grant from that estate was made.

The two prominent residents who most actively associated themselves with the erection of the War Memorial Hospital were Sir Paul Chater, who is Chairman of the Hongkong War Memorial Committee, and the late Mr. A. G. Stephen. During his absence from the Colony the plans were sent to Sir Paul in England and were approved by him with a slight amendment regarding elevation.

The management of the Hospital when erected will be in the hands of a Board of Directors composed of lay members of the community with one or two Government officials serving on it; the staff to consist of resident doctor and resident trained nurses, private practitioners being allowed to attend patients, according to the lines of management as previously announced.

DYKE BURSTS.

MORE DUTCH VILLAGES IN DANGER.

WATER RUSHING IN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Amsterdam, Jan. 8. The dyke, near Zaik, in the Province of Overysel, is reported to have burst this morning.

The water is rushing in over Oldbroek and Polar, threatening a number of villages.

POPE'S DONATION.

His Holiness the Pope has given 20,000 florins toward the flood relief funds.

PREVENTING PILLAGE.

In order to prevent pillaging the authorities have prohibited unauthorised persons from using boats and rafts in the flooded areas after dark. They are also permitting the police to use firearms when necessary.

SEINE RISING.

Paris, Jan. 8. The Seine is still rising. The water is penetrating the underground stations and the river is filtering into the Paris-Orleans Railway between the city sections. Many train services have been suspended.

BELGIAN FLOODS.

Brussels, Jan. 8. The floods are subsiding everywhere.

FATAL FLOODS.

FIVE HUNDRED DEAD IN WEST MEXICO.

ENORMOUS DAMAGE.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Los Angeles, Jan. 8. Newspaper despatches describe devastating floods in the neighbourhood of Santiago and Ixmiquilte, in the district of Nayarit, West Mexico. The Governor of Nayarit State estimates that five hundred persons are dead and that the damage amounts to three million pesos (roughly a quarter of a million sterling).

MORE REASSURING REPORT.

Los Angeles, later. It is reported from Arizona that the loss of life from the floods in the district of Nayarit is not so great as was feared.

Forty-four inches of rain fell in 36 hours. The greatest loss occurred in the exceedingly rich agricultural belt of the Santiago River valley, where hundreds of acres are inundated and crops ruined. Immense damage is also reported from Tepic.

CITY FIRES.

SMART BRIGADE TURN-OUT LAST NIGHT.

TWO UNUSUAL INCIDENTS.

Two unusual incidents were connected with the fire which broke out in the Chinese business centre last night.

From the second floor of the house—a distance to the ground of about 40 feet—a male occupant climbed down a water-pipe—some say it was an electric standard—to safety after two women and two children had run down through the staircase, this part of the building being ablaze shortly after the start.

Smart work and a quick turn-out by the Fire Brigade limited the actual damage of the fire to three storeys of the four comprising No. 89, Wing Lok Street, the side of which faces Hillier Street.

The second "feature" was the coincidence attached to the raising of the alarm. A Chinese girl had hurt herself in the vicinity. She was attended to by a Chinese policeman who simultaneously noticed the fire. He rushed to a street alarm and then despatched the girl away for attention.

Yet another strange part of the story is the fact that the two upper floors were occupied by the Luen On Insurance Co.

The ground floor was a shop where are sold the "patent leather" trunks and boxes made only in Yungking, the port of recent warfare. The tenants of the first floor had only moved in recently and are engaged in the wholesale trade.

When the Brigade arrived—the call being made at 7.44 p.m.—it was seen that the outbreak had secured a firm hold on the upper floors. Instead of burning out the roof, flames shot high up into the sky out of the verandah.

Reinforcements arrived from Wanchai and Kennedy Town. Perched on vantage points, and aided by strong pressure, the firemen controlled the flames and the blaze was out before 10 p.m.

Boy Scouts under the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave again performed meritorious service, these proceeding also to Sutherland Street when an alarm was received at 9.15 p.m. Here it was found that 12 feet of cable on the electric power station had fused but there was no outbreak.

Hawker stalls in the vicinity of the Wing Lok Street were drenched and one canvas cover was singed so that water poured down into the stock.

The three upper floors are badly damaged by fire. The ground floor and adjacent houses by water. No report as to the assessment of damage and insurance was available this morning.

THE FIRST TEST.

ENGLAND'S FAIRLY GOOD SCORE.

OPENING DAY'S PLAY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Barbados, January 8. In the first cricket Test match against the West Indies, the M.C.C. score, at the close of play, was 298 runs for 5 wickets.

Holmes made 63, Smith 73 and Hammond 100 not out.

[Holmes is the Yorkshire batsman; Smith, the Warwickshire wicket-keeper; and Hammond the Gloucester all-rounder. All three are "pros."]

MR. SUN FO HERE.

Mr. Sun Fo, son of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen and former Canton Mayor, and General Techen Wu (Canton Commissioner of Police) arrived in Hongkong yesterday. They are due to return to Canton by one of their Government vessels to-day. In an interview, they spoke mainly of uniting the Left and Right parties of the Kuomintang.

It is notified that the name of the Wing Lok Insurance Company, Limited has been struck off the Register.

An error in yesterday's advertisement over the name of the Philharmonic Society is regretted. The word "Hongkong" should have been "London." The Musical Director, Mr. J. E. Atherley, former manager of Getz Bros., were adjourned until Monday, at 10.30.

MISSING LADY.

FRENCH DRESSMAKER VANISHES.

ASTOR HOUSE MYSTERY.

A local French dressmaker, aged about 35 years, has disappeared from the Astor House Hotel, Queen's Road Central. No clue as to her whereabouts has been obtained. While she may have only gone to Macao or Canton, there is a possibility that something more serious may have happened. She was last seen on the night of January 3 (Sunday) Det. Sub-Inspector Doring is in charge of investigations.

In the Astor House books, she is registered as Mdlle. C. Dupey. Her personal effects are still in the room.

Letters, ostensibly addressed to her, are written to "Jeanne Roy." The person referred to was a dressmaker, resident in the Hongkong Hotel for some years till Messrs. Lane, Crawford's opened their establishment in Pedder Street. Subsequently this lady resided at the King Edward. She went to the Astor House on December 29, gave her name as mentioned, and said she had come from the Hongkong Hotel.

Departing passenger lists have been examined but without result.

AU REVOIR.

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SCENES AT PIER.

Representatives of the entire business, community, the Government, legal profession, consular body and many other friends gathered at Statue Pier this morning to say goodbye to the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.M.G., C.B.E., who left for Ceylon by the s.s. "Macedonia."

As Mr. Fletcher had paid a last official call at Government House, H.E. the Governor was not at the pier but members of the Executive and Legislative Councils and many of his colleagues in the Colonial Secretariat and other Government departments were present.

Mrs. Fletcher was the recipient of many beautiful bouquets.

The "Government Gazette" indicates the districts in which it is permissible for crackers to be fired during Chinese New Year. The Police have strict orders to stop or arrest persons firing crackers in contravention of the restrictions. The firing of Bombs, "Electric" crackers and "Golden Coin" crackers is strictly prohibited.

The cross-examination of a former cashier of Getz Bros. (of the Orient), Ltd., having concluded, the Criminal Sessions proceedings against Mr. J. E. Atherley, former manager of Getz Bros., were adjourned until Monday, at 10.30.

TWO MURDERS.

DOCTOR AND COOLIE KILLED.

FATAL KNIFE ATTACKS.

Murders on consecutive days—Thursday and yesterday—have been brought to the notice of the local Police.

Knives or some sharp instrument were used in the first case, but no trace of a weapon was found in the second.

Late last night it was learned that an arrest had been effected as a sequel to yesterday's death.

On Thursday night a Chinese named Wong Yuk-ko (45), believed to have been a graduate of medicine at Tokyo and to have been a pro-Chan official in the southern peninsula, was found unconscious in Tung Hing Lane, near that part of Queen's Road below the Government Civil Hospital.

Severe injuries to his head are believed to have caused his death.

Detective Inspector T. Murphy is in charge of the case.

A post-mortem examination held yesterday revealed a terrible wound to the head. An exceedingly sharp chopper is surmised to have knocked the brain in. A continuation of the wound is in the shape of a triangle, the supposition of crime experts being that this was the spot where the back edge of the chopper struck the head as the assailant's arm turned.

No arrest has been made. A political motive is suspected. Deceased was alive for about two hours but never recovered consciousness.

Yesterday afternoon a coolie aged 20 employed on the Praya East reclamation, in Sang Lee's match, was sent to hospital with internal injuries and died subsequently.

Preliminary investigation brought out the fact that a quarrel took place.

Although workmen's tools were lying near—it being the scene of the Morrison Hill works—no instrument was seen that appeared to have been used for the crime. Deceased is stated to have been in a fight and both he and his adversary fought with bare fists and feet.

The arrested man was brought up by Divisional Inspector J. O'Grady and formally charged with murder, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning.

The Harbour Master notifies that information has been received from the Military Authorities that Artillery Practice will take place from Stanley Peninsula in a South Easterly direction on the 12th, 13th and 14th January, 1926. All junks, ships, and other vessels are to keep clear of the range.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company, will be held at the Offices, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., on WEDNESDAY, 27th January, 1926, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1925.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company, will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 15th January to WEDNESDAY, 27th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

L. S. GREENHILL, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 7, 1926.

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WITH reference to the Notice to the Shareholders of this Company dated 28th October, 1925, whereby the Final Call of \$5.00 per share on the New Shares was made payable on 4th January, 1926, instead of 3rd November, 1925, the General Managers and Consulting Committee have decided, in view of the conditions prevailing, at present, to further extend the time for payment of this Call.

Notice is accordingly hereby given that the date for payment of the Final Call is postponed to 4th March, 1926, and that the Form of Bankers' Receipt already sent to Shareholders can be used as though the date named therein were the 4th March, 1926.

For THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO., (1918) LTD.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
General Managers.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1925.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.**ANNUAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT.**

ENTRIES may now be made for the various events. Forms and full particulars can be obtained at the Pavilion. Entries CLOSE on SATURDAY, 30th JANUARY 1926.
L. S. GREENHILL,
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HAMBURG MARU ... Tuesday, 19th January
SUMATRA MARU ... Wednesday, 3rd February
SAIGON—Direct.
KOHO MARU ... Monday, 9th January
SANGHAI—Via Saigon.
KOHO MARU ... Monday, 25th January
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Saigon.
SEATTLE MARU ... Sunday, 24th January
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KAIJO MARU ... Sunday, 10th Jan. at 11 a.m.
HOZAN MARU ... Sunday, 17th Jan. at 11 a.m.
YANAO ...
KOTSU MARU ... Thursday, 14th Jan. at 8 a.m.
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Mercantile Bank, A. & E.	£20 1/2 n.	£13 1/2 n.	£12 n.
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Marine Insurance	234 n.	230 n.	2 n.
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China Underwriters	T 145 n.	T 140 n.	T 140 n.
North China Insurance	253 b.	254 n.	£253 s.
Union Insurance	35 b.	36 b.	36 n.
Yangtze Insurance	165 b.	160 b.	\$200 n.
Fire Insurance	600 s.	600 n.	590 n.
China Fire Insurance	31 s.	31 s.	31 s.
H.K. Fire Insurance	48 n.	35 s.	50 n.
Shipping			
Douglases	35 b.	32 b.	35 s.
Hongkong Steamboats	24 b.	24 s.	23 b.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	42 n.	42 n.	42 n.
Indo-China (Ref.)	38 n.	30 n.	37 n.
do. (Def.) Ltd.	53 1/4 s.	40 n.	—
do. () Ltd.	53 1/4 s.	40 n.	—
Oriental Navigation	\$250 n.	255 n.	97 1/2 b.
Shell Transport	60 1/2 b.	60 1/2 b.	\$58 b 60 s.
Star Ferries	\$62 1/2 n.	\$62 1/2 n.	16 b.
Water-Boats	16 b.	16 n.	—
Refineries			
China Sugars	31 s.	31 s.	31 s.
Malabar Sugars	48 n.	35 s.	50 n.
Mining			
Benguet	1.00 n.	—	2 1/4 n.
Kailan Mining Ad.	47 1/2 n.	54 1/2 n.	47 1/2 n.
Langkats (Combined)	T 33 1/2 n.	T 34 1/2 n.	T 34 s.
do. (Single)	20 n.	21 n.	—
Shanghai Exploration	5.45 n.	5 1/2 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	8 n.	8 n.	—
Raubs	\$5.80 s.	\$5 1/2 s.	6 s.
Tyoon Mines	55 1/2 n.	60 1/2 n.	60 1/2 n.
Ural Caspians	8 1/2 n.	—	7 1/2 b.
Docks, Wharves Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	\$130 n.	\$130 n.	\$130 s.
H.K. & W. Docks	56 b.	56 b.	56 b.
Hongkew	T 165 b.	T 165 b.	T 165 b.
New Engineering	7 b.	T 7 b.	7 b.
Shanghai Docks	114 n.	114 b.	112 b.
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	\$8 1/2 s. & sa.	\$10 n.	7 1/2 b. & sa.
do. (new)	68 1/2 n.	66 n.	66 s.
Hongkong Lands	68 1/2 n.	66 n.	66 s.
H.K. Realty	6 n.	6 n.	6 b.
H.K. Territorial	6 n.	6 n.	6 b.
Humphreys Estates	134 b.	134 n.	14 1/2 s.
Princes Building	150 n.	150 s.	—
Rural Lands	7 s.	—	—
Cotton Mills			
Ewo Cottons	T 10 s.	T 9 1/4 b.	T 10 s.
Oriental	3 n.	3 n.	3 1/2 s.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	62 s.	62 s.	62 s.
do. (new)	31 s.	34 s.	35 s.
Miscellaneous			
Canton Ice	\$7 1/4 n.	\$7 s.	\$ 7 s.
Cements (comb.)	15 1/4 b.	15 1/4 n.	15 b.
do. (old)	12 1/2 n.	12 n.	12 b.
do. (new)	3 n.	3 n.	3 b.
China Buses	T 10 1/2 b.	17 b.	17 1/2 s.
China Lights (comb.)	15 n.	15 1/2 b.	13 s.
do. (old)	15 n.	15 1/2 b.	13 s.
do. (new)	10 1/2 n.	9 1/2 s.	10 s.
China Prov. (comb.)	32 1/2 n.	8 n.	7 1/2 b. & sa.
do. (old)	83 1/2 n.	—	17 1/2 s.
do. (new)	83 1/2 n.	17 1/4 b.	17 1/2 s.
Dairy Farms	17 1/4 n.	10 n.	—
Der A Wing (full pd.)	16 n.	10 n.	—
do. (part pd.)	—	5 n.	—
Hongkong Amusements	70 1/2 b.	70 b.	4 s.
H.K. Constructions	24 b.	24 b.	4 s.
Hongkong Electric	54 n.	55 n.	54 s.
H.K. Developments	30 cts. b.	24 cts. n.	25 b.
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	40 n.	40 n.	40 n.
do. (old)	13 1/4 n.	13 1/2 s.	8 1/2 n.
do. (new)	8 1/4 n.	8 1/2 s.	8 1/2 n.
Hongkong Tramways	24 1/2 n.	23 1/2 sa.	24 s.
Lane, Crawfords	12 1/4 n.	12 1/4 s.	13 s.
Macao Electric	40 n.	—	—
Mackintosh	21 1/2 n.	12 1/2 b.	—
Nanyang Tobaccos	16 b.	15 1/2 b.	17 b.
Peak Trams (old)	8 n.	8 n.	9 n.
do. (new)	11 s.	10 b.	9 b.
Sinceres	—	8 1/2 n.	—
Singapore Trams	4 s.	5 s.	5 s.
Taxis	20 n.	—	—
United Asbestos	—	600 n.	—
do. (Founders)	—	12 1/2 n.	14 s.
do. (Ordinary)	12 1/2 b.	—	12 n.
Watsons (old)	12 1/2 b.	—	—
do. (new)	12 1/2 b.	—	—
Wm. Powells	12 b.	—	—

GHOST RIDER.

TERROR WHERE PRINCE
HUNTS.

LUMINOUS HORSE.

The village of Wartaby, near
Melton Mowbray, a favourite
hunting ground of the Prince of
Wales, where he has spent some
time since his return from the
Argentine, has been startled by
the almost nightly appearance of a
ghost on horseback.

The villagers dread the dusk,
when they lock their homes, afraid
to venture out, lest they should be
molested by the mysterious rider.

The strange figure, wrapped in a
white veil, usually appears about
10 p.m., and those who have seen
it state that it is always seated on
the "illuminated shadow of a
horse."

The starting-post of this nightly
ride is a field close to the village
church-yard.

"The 'Oh' always appears to be
glently given about the same time,"
said a farm labourer, who declares
he has seen the rider several times.

"Then away the horse gallops over
the field, jumps a hedge, and dis-
appears."

Mr. Hill, a lay reader, who lives
at Wartaby, is apparently the
first person to have seen the white
figure. One night when returning
home he heard a mysterious
rustling, and on looking round was
terrified to see a ghost on horseback
moving towards him. He was
startled almost out of his senses.

The white rider seemed to pass
through him on the country lane.
Then it began to gallop, and, like
a trained "cheer," took a gate and
other obstacles, and raced away
over a field until out of sight.

A man lying in the village, when
driving home one night with his
wife, saw the ghost, he asserts, on
horseback emerging from behind a
hedge. It halted for a few
moments in the roadway. He
pulled up, and waited until the
"ghost" moved away on its
galloping steed.

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fun, Mr. A. Lokan, Mr. P. B.
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A. B. Talbot, and Mr. I. W.
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Mr. J. L. MacPherson, Miss E.
Marshall, Mr. P. W. Massey, Mr.
D. McLaren, Rev. Father J. J.
Mereto, Mr. Isaac Pappo, Mr. C.
E. Peacock, Mr. and Mrs. A. V.
Perry, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Prox,
Rev. R. D. Rees, Mr. H. E.
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Ross, Mrs. E. Ross, Mr. R. R.
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"KALAMALA"	10,942	30th Jan.	Marseilles and London
"MANTUA"	10,942	30th Jan.	Marseilles and London
"KASHMIR"	9,914	30th Jan.	Marseilles and London
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"MANTUA"	10,942	14th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"KASHMIR"	9,914	14th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"KHYBER"	9,914	14th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"MAEDONIA"	11,080	14th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
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"MANTUA"	10,942	23rd Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	9,914	23rd Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KHYBER"	9,914	23rd Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MAEDONIA"	11,080	23rd Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,914	23rd Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TANDA"	4,500	30th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KALAMALA"	10,942	30th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,942	30th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	9,914	30th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KHYBER"	9,914	30th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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Jan. 10.	O.S.K.	Kaijo Maru
13.	O.N.	Kancho Maru
AMOI.		
Jan. 10.	O.S.K.	Kaijo Maru
13.	O.N.	Kancho Maru
14.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
15.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
16.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
17.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
18.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
19.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
SHANGHAI.		
Jan. 10.	O.S.K.	Kaijo Maru
13.	O.N.	Kancho Maru
14.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
15.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
16.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
17.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
18.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
19.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
HONGKONG.		
Jan. 10.	O.S.K.	Kaijo Maru
13.	O.N.	Kancho Maru
14.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
15.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
16.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
17.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
18.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
19.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru

Jan. 10.	O.S.K.	Kaijo Maru
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15.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
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19.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru

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16.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
17.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
18.	O.S.K.	Kotani Maru
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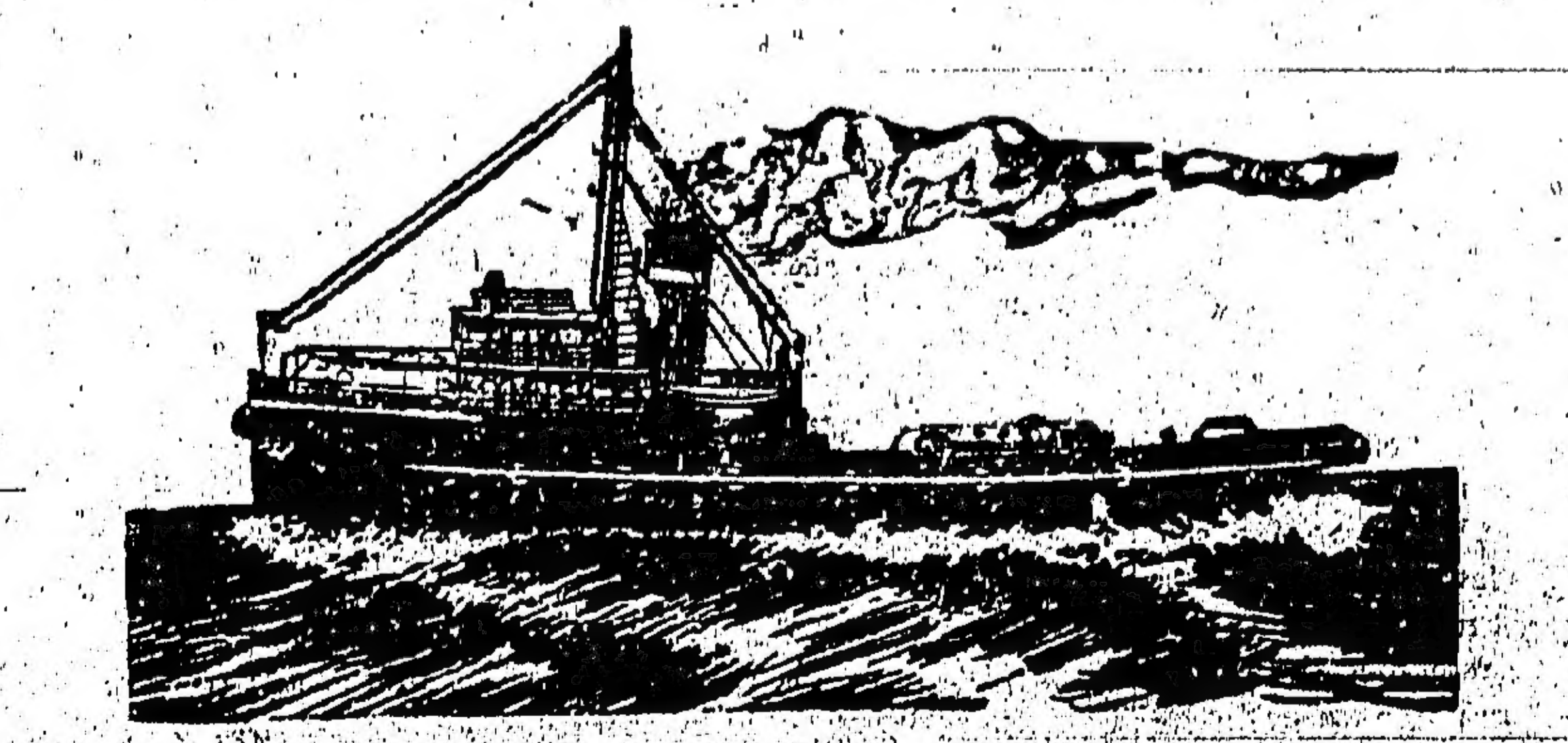
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A "TIMES" WARNING.

The London "Times" may not in certain quarters be regarded with the same respect as the "Thunderer" of a decade ago, but it still exercises a powerful influence, particularly in the realm of international politics. Its utterances on the crises in China during the past year have always been timely, outspoken, and fair.

In a recent issue it deals at length with trading rights in China, seizing the opportunity to express a grave warning in the matter of the abolition of extraterritoriality during a period of chaos in China. It points out very rightly that it is difficult to convey to anybody who has never been in China, without appearing to exaggerate, the deficiencies of Chinese administration, its lack of honesty, its lack of method, and its nepotism. It then proceeds to warn British exporters that any Treaty revision which cancelled foreign extraterritoriality rights would seriously injure their prospects by depriving trade of the legal guarantees and remedies which are essential to it and by destroying the confidence which has enabled Shanghai and other places to obtain the capital necessary to their development as trade centres.

It has to be remembered that the various commercial relations which exist between exporters in the United Kingdom and British importers in China have behind them the sanctions of British law—the Bills of Exchange Act, for example—but were the Chinese demand for the abolition of extraterritoriality acceded to, this would cease to be the case. Furthermore, the "Times" points out that, were foreigners made subject to Chinese law, they would be subject to any law which the Chinese Government might introduce with a view to reserving the coastal shipping trade for its own mercantile marine. The long duration of the anti-British shipping strike, supported as it has been by Chinese interested in Chinese shipping companies, is an index both to popular feeling in this matter and to the wishes of Chinese shipowners, and is an indication also of the danger in

which one of Britain's chief assets in the Far East would be placed.

The warning of the "Times" ought to influence those who may be ready to accede to the request for the abolition of extraterritoriality before China has placed her judicial administration on a par even with that, say, of Japan.

THE PORTUGUESE.

There should be a continual interest in Portugal, England's "oldest ally," and those who belong to that country. The visitor to Hongkong is struck with the numbers of Portuguese who have made their home in the Colony, play such a big part in its social and business life and are such fine exemplars of the decent, law-abiding citizen. The Hon. Mr. Fletcher simply voiced a patent and oft-illustrated fact when he referred to the willing and loyal co-operation that invariably comes from the Portuguese community. That community worthily maintains its dignity and self-respect. It excels in its love of music. In the world of sport it has worthy representatives; whilst its business capacity is unquestioned. Reference to this long-established element amongst us, must ever be associated with the Portuguese Colony of Macao. It has not escaped notice that the adjoining Colony seems to be renewing its youth. Those with nimble pens and minds have not been slow to demonstrate Macao's claim to beauty, repose, and now to enterprise. Years ago in England the writer remembers reading in a newspaper of the escape to Macao of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and asking about Macao from a distinguished visitor from Southern China. Macao, he was informed, was a place to which refugees escaped, being certain of safe harbourage from their enemies. Time and experience have since proved that the description was not quite fair to Macao. It is possible, as a local writer has said, to find your soul in Macao. It has a priceless possession for those who believe they have souls. For the many who are "practical people" there is the fact that the new industrial spirit in Macao is doing much to revive its old-time prestige. Reclamation and Harbour works should do much to restore and attract trade, and help in a revival in which Europe and China will surely benefit. A progressive Macao should be of immeasurable benefit to Hongkong. In her schemes of progress let Macao be assured of this Colony's interest and best wishes. And let the Portuguese community be assured that their patience and industry are not needlessly forgotten if they are not needlessly trumpeted on every possible occasion. A country that can produce a Columbus and a Camoens is not lightly to be disregarded. True, these men belong to olden times. But the spirit that animated the one is not dead as has been evinced by the Portuguese aviators who, not so long since, "hopped off" from their own sunny home to visit the far-away slice of Portugal in Macao.

TO-MORROW'S TREAT

"HAWKINS" SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA.

Music lovers will have an unexpected treat to-morrow (Sunday) evening at the Queen's Theatre when, in addition to the picture programme, the fine symphony orchestra of H.M.S. "Hawkins" under the baton of Bandmaster C. T. Mansfield will give a number of selections on the stage with some very beautiful lighting effects. The management request patrons to be in their seats punctually at 9.15 p.m. as the orchestral concert will start the performance.

FORGED NOTES.

"INCALCULABLE DAMAGE TO HUNGARY."

AN ARCHDUKE IMPLICATED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Budapest, Jan. 8.

As a result of yesterday's disclosures, the Premier, M. Bethlen, interviewed the Regent, General Horthy, to whom he gave a detailed report.

The Regent expressed his satisfaction at the manner in which the case was being conducted and hoped that the enquiry would soon be brought to a successful conclusion.

Meanwhile Archduke Albrecht has resigned the presidency of the Hungarian National Union, on account of "the incalculable damage to the interests and reputation of Hungary, due to the plot," though he absolves the "Union" from implication in the conspiracy.

DIRECTED AGAINST FRANCE?

Paris, Jan. 8.

The most sensational statements are being made by the French newspapers, which believe that the Hungarian plot is specially directed against France and the Little Entente by the Crown Princes of Germany and Bavaria. The Archduke Albrecht is among the prominent persons accused of complicity.

Le Matin says that the charges against the Hungarian Regent's aide-de-camp are most serious. The paper adds: "Enquiry will show how much the Archduke Albrecht and the Regent, whose political complicity is no longer open to doubt, know of the crimes against Common Law, which the conspirators are committing."

BISHOP'S EVIDENCE.

Budapest, Jan. 8.

Giving evidence at the Police enquiry into the bank note affair, the military Roman Catholic Bishop, Stefan Adamczewski, admitted that he knew the objects inspiring the forgeries, but dissociated himself from them directly he discovered the proposed and adopted means.

There are now six employees of the Cartographical Institute in custody.

IN A QUANDARY?

TUAN'S "RESIGNATION" TELEGRAM.

RECALLED FOR REVISION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, Jan. 8.

The Chief Executive, Tuan Chi-jui's circular telegram to the Provinces announcing his intention to retire from office, on January 15, and hand over the administration to the Government, was recalled at the last moment for revision.

A brief translation of the telegram follows:—"I, Chi Jui, have done my best to assume control of State affairs for more than a year, but circumstances have combined to defeat my policy and my mental and bodily strength is exhausted. When I think of the deplorable condition of the people, it increases my sorrow; but all the unrest and political changes, coming one after another, make it difficult to rehabilitate the situation. I deem it my duty to retire from public life in accordance with the tradition I have several times made. All administrative functions are to be handed over to the Cabinet and from January 16 I shall cease to attend to my duties.

"My hope is that both the Military and Civil authorities in the Provinces will consider the national difficulties and the hardships of the people and realise the futility of victories gained through bloodshed.

"I trust that they will carry out reforms both for the people and State. In the task of doing away with abuse and carrying out reform, it is unnecessary that I should participate. Let all the people comprehend this."

SHELL EXPLODES.

FIVE CASUALTIES ON U.S. BATTLESHIP.

(Reuter's Service.)

Salt Lake, Jan. 8.

Five persons were burned and killed, but not fatally, through the explosion of a shell, from a three-inch gun on board the U.S. battleship "Oklahoma."

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

The London book season is notable for at least one book devoted to Disraeli. Little Langtry tells the following about the great man:—

On the evening that I saw him (Disraeli), first he was sitting at the end of a long room at a big reception at the Foreign Office, surrounded by a crowd of "souls," and I was led up and introduced to him. I was shy, and he was very busy observing me, so conversation flagged somewhat.

Feeling that he ought to say something, I suppose, he remarked quizzically:—

"What can I do for you?" As it happened to be just before the Ascot Races—a meeting where women all like to wear fresh, beautiful frocks—I answered jokingly:—

"Four new gowns for Ascot," on which he laughed, patted my hand, and said:—

"You are a sensible young woman. Many a woman would have asked to have been made a duchess in her own right."

Members of the SINCLAIR. A.D.C. and the larger number interested in local theatrical effort, should be interested in the following:—

Toronto, November 23.—It is an event for a little theatre, conducted on a non-professional basis, to reach its fiftieth production with every indication that it will carry on for as long again. The Hart House Theatre, Toronto, is making an occasion of the presentation of "Turandot, Princess

of China," the fiftieth bill to be presented in that house. Hart House Theatre opened in November, 1919, with Roy Mitchell, a young Toronto man who got his experience in New York at the Greenwich Village Theatre, as director. He was succeeded two years later by Bertram Forsyth, a director, actor and dramatist, who came from London, Eng., to take control. Mr. Forsyth resigned in the spring of the present year, after being in charge for four seasons, and Walter Sinclair, who had been for 12 years the director of the Amateur Dramatic Club of Hongkong, was appointed as his successor. Mr. Sinclair opened his season with a production of "Samson and Delilah," with Jacob Ben-Ami as a guest star. Lorna McLean, a Toronto amateur who played opposite Ben-Ami in that play, has just been engaged to play in New York on the strength of his recommendation.

Mr. Sinclair prepared the spectacular production of "Turandot." It will be remembered that some years before the war, Max Reinhardt prepared a modern adaptation of Schiller's "Turandot" and presented it with great success in Berlin. An English version was made, and staged in London in January, 1913, where it proved a failure. In America, the Shuberts tried it on the road, but never took the piece into New York. Later on, Percy Mackaye made another play on the subject to which he gave the title, "A Thousand Years Ago." It was the London version of "Turandot" that the director used in Toronto, and he made it into as gorgeous an extravaganza as Toronto, has seen. The costumes, used by Sir George Alexander and valued at \$50,000, were brought from London.

A DREAM OF STRANGE RITES.

The wind is blowing up the square from the river, up the river from the sea, with a sound like guns—like drums. The swishing of the trees in the square, driven to and fro past the lights in a haze of rain—like the swish of palms, the swish of tropical seas on coral reefs, writes Elinor Mordaunt in the "Sunday Times."

In a queer maze with the memories which it brings to me, that sound of wind like drums, broke into, borne down by—then again itself bearing into, bearing down—the sound of drum: "Thrum—thrum—thrum: tum-tum-tum—I fling on a cloak and go out into the square, wild with driven leaves, pushing my way against the wind, to find at the corner of the river end of the square, a detachment of the Salvation Army band; a man and boy with drums, others gathered round silent.

A moment or two more and it is all spoilt—for me at least—by the blare of cornets.

There is an accordion, too. But that does not matter. I have seen strange sights enacted to the notes of the accordion; a naked man heading a procession, swinging his body from side to side so that it almost touches the ground, swinging it backwards and forward, swinging his accordion with it; drawing out of it long and weeping notes of waiting and lament; beseeching, triumphs, cruelties; more men in full war dress, painted and scarred, with necklaces of shark's teeth, bearing torches; more men beating drums—streaming from crown to heel with Bird of Paradise plumes—overhead the long, peevish lament of flying-foxes; and a dead Chief, tight wrapped in tapa cloth, stiff and straight, raised upon the hands of women, held upwards at arm's length, borne round and round his own village, set in the heart of a forest by the sea.

Drums—drums. I came back from the theatre the other night, here in London, half rigid with excitement, moving like a wooden soldier, with the sound of drums in my ears. And now it is the Salvation Army, awaking a world-encircling memory of drums. Drums, drumming the dead back from the Islands of the Blest to join the harvest festivals of the living; drums beaten without ceasing for a month—but, no, not altogether without ceasing; for in the very middle of one night, for some reason or other, the sound broke, waking me from my dreams of drums and running water, sweating and trembling with fear; racked as though the saffron-crested cockatop of the old sorcerer of the d'Entrecasteaux had indeed entered into me, torn the vitals out of me—but that is another tale—by the mere cessation of the sound.

Drums among the mountains of Fiji; in the Council House of Little Nasuruk; I, myself, sitting upon the floor, bent double with fatigue from a long day's ride in rain which beat upon me like a hail; before me a long line of girls, decked in hanging green weeds, sitting, dancing with their bodies alone; swinging them to and fro with strange gestures of the hands; behind them a line of men, dancing, too, with queer grinning grimaces; behind them, again, drums, infinitely monotonous—Tum-tum-tum-tum; one lantern at my feet, the vast room, seventy yards in length, filled with black shadows and smoke broken by patches of under light; a circle of light on the shining oiled skins, the white teeth and glancing eye-balls: "tum-tum-tum" while I swayed as the dancers swayed, drunk with sleep.

Drums in Malmaheira, great deep-voiced drums hung on poles between two men, beaten by a third; a little drum—a licensed fool of a drum—running with them, running upon pattering feet, running in and out, running on in front; turning and running back again: "tum-tum-tum-tum"; and with it all the spirit wail of innumerable flutes.

Clay drums in New Guinea, pinched in like hour glasses, parchmented with iguana skins at the top, beaten upon with the palm of the hand, with the ball of the thumb. Drums wide in the middle, and narrower at either end in Java, bound with crimson silk cords to muffle the sound; held horizontally, beaten with ebony sticks; drums and great gongs, and all the magic of the Gamelan.

Drums calling the faithful to prayer in Zanzibar; nights and days of drumming. The drums of the heathen: the ten different drums of the Ngoma, and among these the two drums for signalling, Tenteu and Rewa; the barrel-shaped drums, Vumi and Chapuo; the woman's drum, the Mshindo; with the wail of the Zomari, a clarinet which sounds like a bagpipe; the Kayamba, with its bamboo pipes; the brass gong, Upatu; the Mbiun; the Cherewa; ankle bells and rattles. The drums and bells of the bull-fighters upon the island of Pemba. The echo of drums from "moul-tai" to "moul-tai" in the uplands of East Africa, telling what—foretelling what?—God only knows!—Drums—drums all the way. A roll of drums to the Last Post, at the end; and, please God, a fine brave drumming in "through the shadowy gate" of the world, to come.

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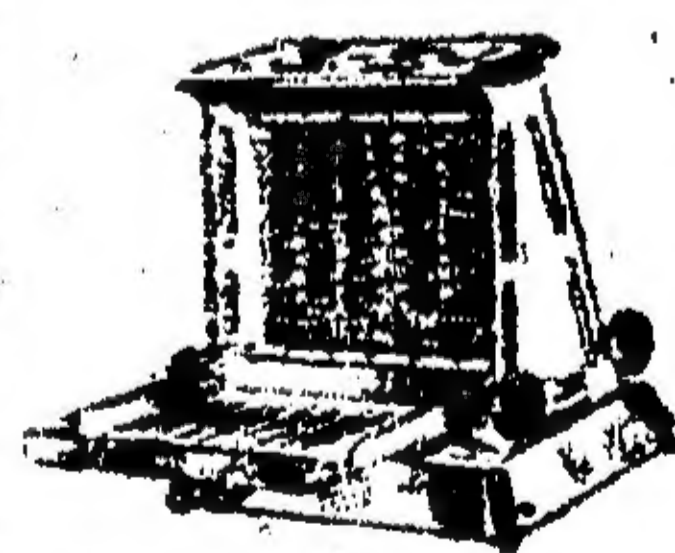
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"The ideal which we preach and the practical application of it are in great contrast. We profess a hearty belief in spiritualism, but at the moment we present the ideal of Christ to a business man and say, 'That is all very well, but business is business; it is not spiritualism.' We believe in spiritualism, yet 'teach for him' and the devil take the hindmost. It is the perfectly frank recognition of the institutions of material civilisation. For as you think of God so is your conduct to him. The trouble with Christian civilisation is that the God of Christianity is a static God above the clouds. True reconstruction of civilisation will only begin when we realise that God is a Dynamic God. God the Worker, the Designer. This universe is not perfect. He has sent us into the universe to bring His perfection of imperfection. In His great scheme with the world He has need of all of us, of all races, all nations, of all stations." We advance a part of His work to do, to reveal His Divinity in us, through us in our brother man. Even the humblest, most simple-minded, has his lawful place and right as a revealer of His Divinity. All men and women are needed in the plan of God with their offerings of mutual service by their capacity—small, or great, there need be no inequality in the spirit with which we offer.

THE BIGGEST FAILURE.

Our biggest failure in civilisation is that we accept the teachings of our religious founders for the individual, but not for the nation. But God is not mocked, and that what we sow we reap. We have to realise the law of cause and effect—that an injury done to one is an injury done to all, and whatever is done to the individual or by the individual, its effect for good or evil, and every physical, emotional and mental injury, whatever the name of individual, is done to the community or nation. The injury of one is the injury of all. Being aware of this, we should show compassion in our hearts for the nation. It is for us to see how the nation is injured, and how we can help it. Men and women have lost their opportunities in life during the last century because none was not given them for self-expansion. We are reaching of that phase of life when we only see one part—the material gain. This is only a small portion of man's life, and we neglect the more real part of our existence—the spiritual reactions, which we have to use the lesson of the lives of all men, all races, all nations. It is in God's plan that men should step out of their own individual or national selfishness and learn to work for Him, for the good of the whole.

MEN SUSPICIOUS.

Men are often suspicious of the so-called collectivism. They argue that freedom will be lost. But there is a principle which is always better to work with than to work against. We are all part of the same whole, and the student of the human mind through the opportunity for healthy expansion and expansion of the mind. To oppose the expansion of a nation comes a great opportunity for the whole nation. Work with, another, in the national and international, in the God or humanity, we are for civilisation than for war. All these ideals are needed today because the World Spirit is attempting to bring the world into a new era of unity, and to bring the whole world into a new era of unity.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

The nations must step out of the selfishness of individual life, and work together as one world. The federation of peoples, no longer fighting or domineering each other as units with no common interests as human beings, but as the children of one God, as the embodiment of one glorious unity in all. One step toward this federation of the world is the

BALKAN PACT.

LOCARNO AGREEMENT AS
MODEL.

YUGO-SLAVIA WILLING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Athens, January 8. The Yugo-Slavian Minister has informed the Foreign Minister that Yugo-Slavia is prepared to agree to the conclusion of a Balkan Security Pact and Arbitration Treaty on the lines of the Locarno Agreement, but in order to ensure the success of the pact it is necessary in the first place to clear up all outstanding questions between Greece and Yugo-Slavia.

SHIPPING MISHAP.

JAPANESE STEAMER
STRIKES A ROCK.

RACE TO SINGAPORE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Batavia, Jan. 8. The captain of the Japanese steamer, "Yamata Maru," with 12 bags of mail from Singapore for Fremantle, reports that the vessel struck a rock near Banka Straits. The ship is making fifteen tons of water hourly in the engine-room, but the captain thinks that she can reach Singapore.

FRENCH FINANCE.

BANK'S ADVANCES TO THE
TREASURY.

(Havas Agency.)

Paris, Jan. 8. The Ministry of Finance on December 31st reimbursed the Banque de France to the extent of one billion francs, thus reducing the legal limit of advances by the Banque to the Treasury to 5,500,000,000 francs.

APPOINTMENTS.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased, under the provisions of Statute 4 of the Second Schedule of the University Ordinance, 1911, Ordinance No. 10 of 1911, to appoint the following as Members of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a further period of three years, with effect from January 1, 1926:—Messrs. D. G. M. Bernard, B. E. L. Dowie, M. P. Talati, J. R. Wood. Dr. O. F. Lohatti is to act as Monopoly Analyst and as an Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports, with effect from January 9, 1926. The following Medical Practitioners have been appointed as members of the Committee to assist Government in the management of the Peak Hospital during the year 1926:—Drs. W. V. M. Koch, M.D., S. S. Strahan, M.B., B.Ch., and J. W. Anderson, M.B., B.Ch.

federation of peoples called the British Empire. Whether we shall make a success of that Empire or not God only knows. But side by side with that institution, which can be a tremendous power for good if we make a success of it, is the League of Nations. Another attempt is being made to bring the whole world together on a common foundation of humanity. Now, in this splendid attempt by the Divine plan to federate the world, each of us is needed; not the best equipped man or woman or child, but he who has something to give which is necessary for the success of the great plan—the revelation of his own divinity by mutual service. It is an inspiring truth to know that man is invincible when he knows he can never work alone. It is the man and the nation who says, "God and I," who serves God and His glorious scheme through all things, the God in him and his brother man, who make a success in life. Each of us can find our part in the Divine plan.

PEACE IN ACTION.

Seek peace, but peace in action. Change your spirit of life from asking things of life into a spirit of doing without. That is true national life where each individual recognises that he must become the centre of Divine radiance, so that God's will is mirrored in all the activities of men. All of us so greeting Him can make the perfect nation where God is in all, where God is known and served by all. Such a national realisation is possible, if you and I will understand what we are and will do our part, to reveal the hidden divinity in us and in our brother man, our brother nation without waiting for another to lead the way.

AMAZING ESCAPE.

SCISSORS CUT WAY OUT OF
PRISON.

DARING AND INGENUITY.

For a sheer ingenuity and cool daring during the escape of Sydney Morris Marks and Arthur Bacon, who forced their way out of Pentonville Prison with the aid of a pair of scissors, can hardly be rivalled in the prison annals of Britain.

The whole episode reads like a modern version of "Monte Cristo." The two men, Marks, aged twenty-nine, a hair-dresser, of the Mile End Road, doing 16 months for assaulting the police; and Bacon, aged twenty-seven, a bricklayer of Brighton and Bournemouth, serving an 18 months' sentence for warehouse breaking, occupied neighbouring cells in the third floor.

Both men were on ticket-of-leave at the time they were last before the courts; but their licences were revoked, which meant that they had still to serve the unexpired portion of their old sentences in addition to the new punishment.

How did they communicate to plan an escape which was obviously worked out in detail? No one knows for certain. Perhaps there was an occasional tight-lipped, almost voiceless, exchange of whispers under the eyes of the warders who led them to and from their work in the sack-making shop.

Perhaps the primitive Morse code, which has been in use by generations of prisoners in every land, was employed to pass messages through the wall which separated their cells.

At all events communication of some kind was maintained, and the plan agreed upon. One theory is that the men had been working for days, perhaps for weeks, at the careful loosening of the mortar which held the bricks together.

A second and more generally accepted theory is that they borrowed their way out in a single night, working with silent, desperate energy during the few short hours of darkness.

OVER THE WALL.

On the eve of their escape the warders' light flashed through the grills of their cells as usual. Marks and Bacon seemed to be lying asleep, each in his narrow cot. Directly the round of inspection had passed both men must have started desperate work. "F" melody or other they had secreted scissors from the sack-making shop, and with these they climbed out the mortar between the bricks of the outside wall which is 18 inches thick.

It was a determined, well-organised work. The holes each started converged into a single hole just at the junction of the intervening cell partition. Once the first bricks were removed the rest was easy. Very soon there was an aperture big enough for them to creep through.

Shirts and blankets had been cut into long strips and securely knotted to form a serviceable rope. The hole in the wall was 30 feet above the exercise yard, but Marks had been kind to the escaping prisoners, for a drain-pipe ran down the wall close to their self-constructed exit. (Perhaps even this had been calculated.)

In pooled active co-operation they pulled down that drain-pipe, but Marks and Bacon did it successfully. Not only so, but they wedged a strip out of the concrete to serve them as a grip, and a little later, very cleverly, their hands were injured during this part of their escape, and that possibility is a clue that the hunters will not overlook.

Silently as ghosts they crept across the prison yard to the outer wall, which is twenty feet high. In the end were a number of huge tubs containing "flowering shrubs." A few of these were piled together as a sort of scaffold. Then, using the improvised rope and gripper, the two men scaled the wall and lowered themselves down on the other side.

CAPTURED POLICE.

They had reached a private green road which leads to Colindale Avenue Road. They must have gone straight out into London and since then all trace of them has been lost.

They were wearing prison clothes—dark grey tunic coat and knee breeches—and were hatless, but so far all the efforts of the Metropolitan Police, aided by motor squads from the Yard, have failed to track them down.

Here are the official descriptions of the two runaways:—Sydney Morris Marks, fresh complexion, with brown hair and grey eyes, and about 5 ft. 3 in. in height. He has a bird tattooed on

the back of his right hand and a scar on the side of his nose.

Arthur Bacon is a small man 5 ft. 4 in. in height, of ruddy complexion, with brown eyes and black hair, and has a scar on the chin and another above the left eye.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

Sensational as was this escape, it gained an added notoriety in view of the escape a few days previously from the same jail of two other prisoners, one of whom, John Murphy, is still at large. Murphy and his companion made their dash for liberty in daylight and had the advantage of a ready-made disguise in the painters' smocks they were wearing at the time.

The latest escape has had a direct sequel in Pentonville Prison itself, where Major F. W. H. Blake, the Governor of the jail, and Col. Knox, one of the Prison Board Commissioners, have held a stringent inquiry into all the circumstances.

It is understood that disciplinary action has been taken against two of the warders.

Further investigation by the authorities has established the fact that in addition to cutting holes in the prison walls with scissors, Bacon and Marks also used a crowbar which was found near a cell ventilator after their escape.

LESS WATER.

RESERVOIR RETURNS ARE
LOWER.

DECREASED CONSUMPTION.

Less water in store but a decreased per capita consumption is reported in the Water Authority's return for December.

The only reservoir with more water than at this time last year is Tytarm Intermediate and the totals of all reservoirs compared are: January 1, 1925, 1,225.16 million gallons; January 1, 1926, 1,560.84.

The average consumption per head per day in Hongkong in December was 18.4 gallons (compared with 21.8 gallons in the similar period last year). In Kowloon the average consumption per head per day during December was 14.4 gallons (compared with 15.6 gallons in December of the previous year).

The rainfall to December 31, 1924, was 58.57, while up to the same date 1925, only 37.58 inches had fallen. The Government Analysts' reports show that the quality of water is again satisfactory.

NOTICE.

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3rd March, 1926.

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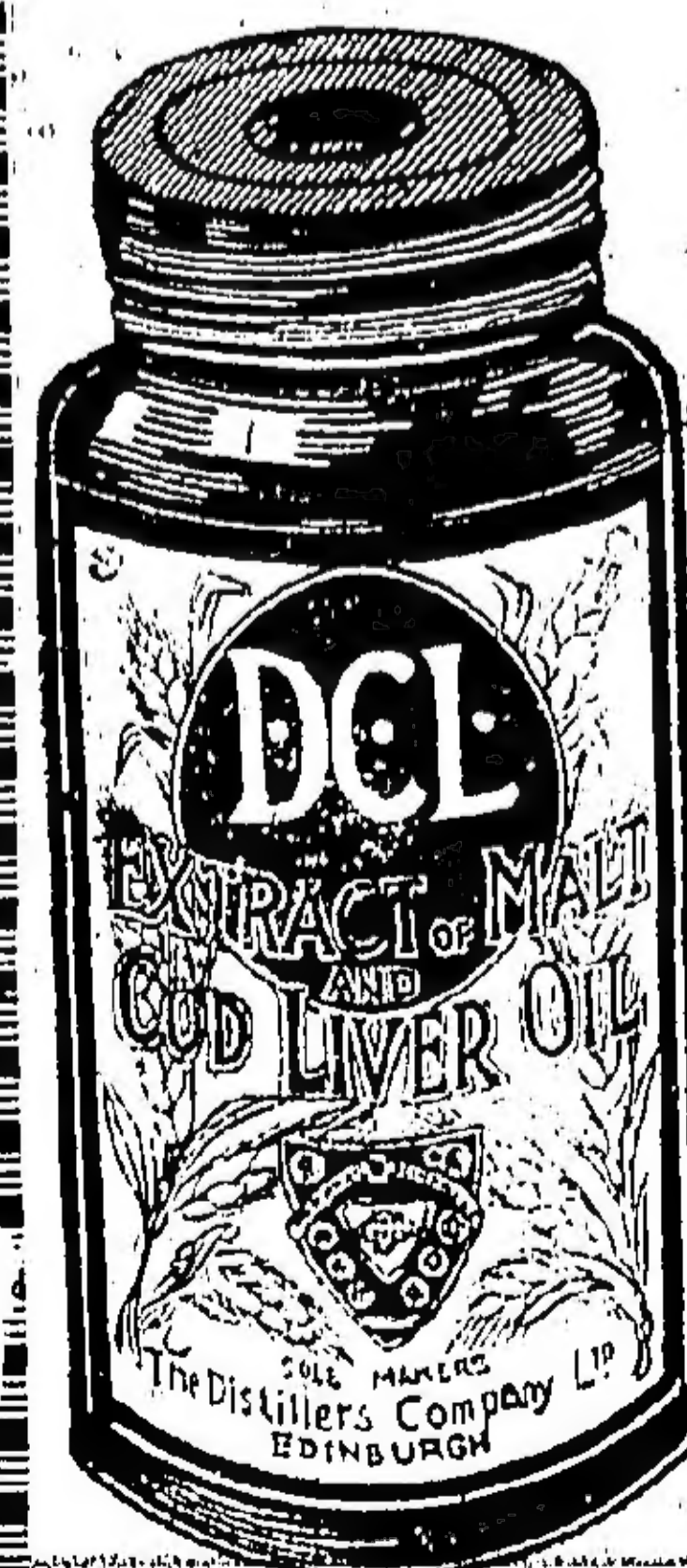
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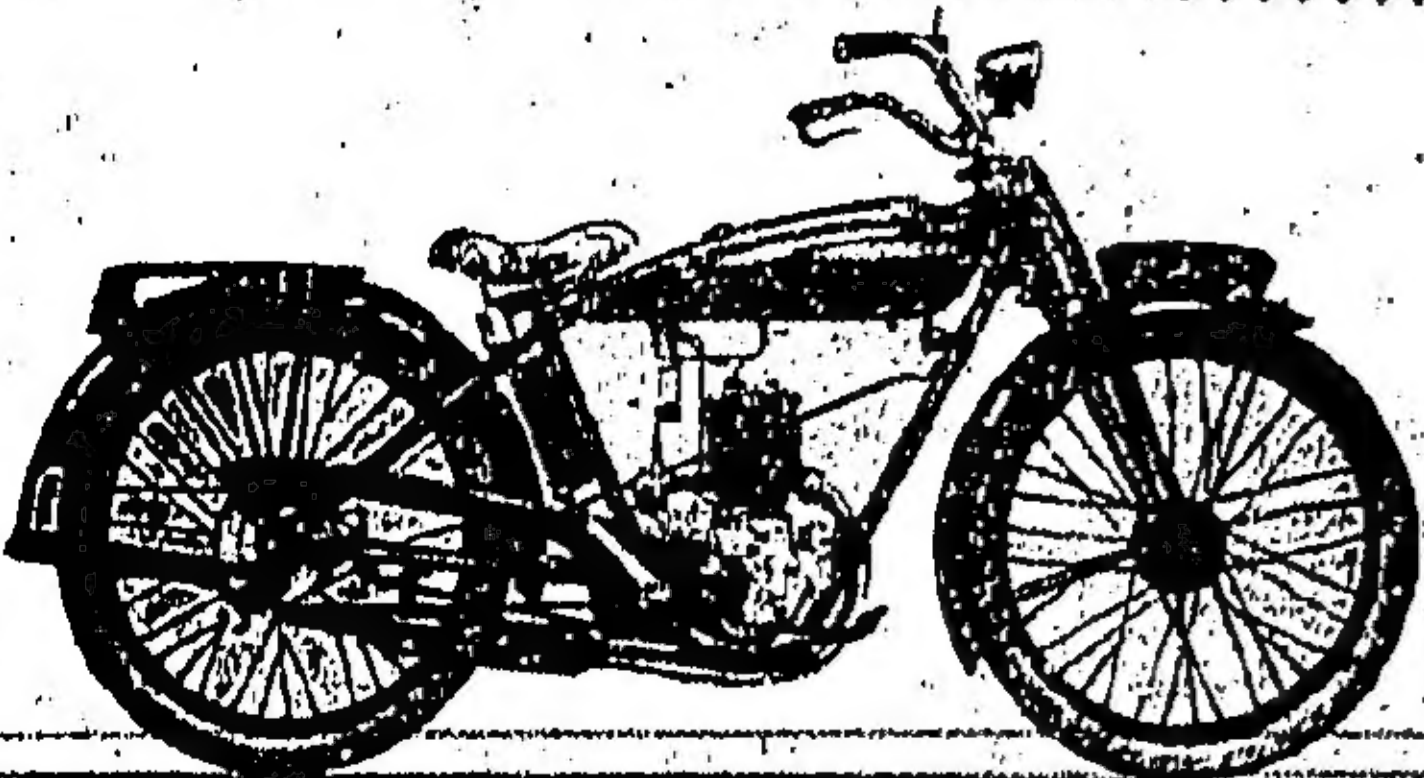
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The return of Notifiable Diseases for the 24 hours ended Thursday, shows one Chinese case of small-pox.

The annual tennis tournament of the Hongkong Cricket Club will be held on the cricket ground, commencing Monday, March 1.

Eleven letters by Benjamin Franklin, including one denouncing his country for hypocrisy in the slave trade, have just brought \$2,900 (£) at auction.

Messrs. Fisher Unwin are publishing a peculiarly interesting book, "A Tibetan on Tibet," by George Combe. Mr. Combe took down from the lips of a Tibetan boy this account of the manners and customs of his fellow-countrymen.

A professor of book-selling has been appointed to lecture in the Commercial High School at Leipzig. The chair is subsidized by the official organ of the German book trade, and Dr. Gerhard Meitz is its first occupant.

Drivers are taking note of what Magistrate Golden of Brooklyn will do to them if they treat their horses unkindly. A padder and a laundryman who left their horses unblanketed in the cold had to leave hats and coats in court and stand outside 15 minutes.

With the condition that the institution raise an equal amount for the same purpose, Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., has pledged himself to give \$250,000 to the permanent funds of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. The offer, according to Mr. Arthur Harcourt Graves, curator of the garden, was made after a thorough investigation of the activities, finances and plans for development of the Botanic Garden.

Eighty-four French passports were issued in November to Basque shepherds bound for sheep ranches in Montana and California. Basque shepherds, for more than half a century, have tended Montana sheep.

Paris street pedestrians are forming a league to war against the careless automobile driver. Its headquarters are 25 Boulevard Malesherbes. The entrance fee is two francs, against payment of which sum the pedestrian hurt in a street mishap, is cared for by a physician and a lawyer.

The 28th International Eucharistic Congress is to be held in Chicago on June 20 to 24, 1926, and a very large attendance is expected from Europe as well as from this continent. It is hoped that Cardinal Gasparri, Secretary of State for the Vatican, will be the Pope's Official Delegate and that he will be accompanied by ten Cardinals and a retinue of thirty or forty among the most important dignitaries of the Roman Catholic church throughout the world.

The presidential reception in connection with the observance of Republic Day at Lisbon was of a markedly democratic and popular nature. When the doors were thrown open to the public after the diplomatic reception, hundreds of people filed past President Manoel Teixeira Gomes, who shook hands with most of them. An utter lack of ceremony was observable, and the newspapers protest against the fact of some soldiers presenting themselves in their ordinary gray drill. One man as he passed, let his hat fall, and the President picked it up, and returned it to him.

Mr. S. M. Bruce announces that the two Australian cruisers are to be named "Australia" and "Canberra," and the two new submarines "A01" and "A02." Canberra is the name of the new capital of the Commonwealth.

"There are 2,000 papers published in America in foreign languages," declared Dwight Brannan, president of the Allied Patriotic Societies. "They attack our Government under cover. Their influence is insidious. They are restricted by present laws only from publishing their blasphemous statements on envelopes or mailing wrappers."

The Lyons Fair, which next year will be held from March 1 to 14, always attracts many exhibitors, visitors and buyers. In 1925, there were 2,801 exhibitors and 1,600 stands had already been booked for the 1926 Fair on March 31, 1925. Lyons, France, situated at the junction of the Rivers Rhone and Saone, is one of the oldest, richest and most interesting towns in Europe, and has been noted for its Fairs ever since the 15th century. To-day it has a population of over 750,000.

Cieffried Wagner, dramatic producer and son of Richard Wagner, has published a fiery protest against the invasion of jazz in Germany. "The Blue Danube is nearer and dearer to us than Cuba and Santo Domingo," he declares. The national dignity, Herr Wagner continues, demands that the youth of Germany waltz to the dainty and vivacious melodies of Johann Strauss instead of dancing to negro tunes, especially in view of the national resentment over the French employment of black troops in the occupation of the Rhineland. Jazz is all right for the United States, Herr Wagner believes, because it is indigenous there.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Kowloon Y.M.C.A. is inaugurating a Ladies' Night monthly. The first will be held on January 21.

Dr. J. R. Mott, described by Japanese as the white Christ, is to pass through Hongkong on January 18. Dr. Mott has recently published a book on the Moslem question.

Mr. P. A. Cox, Commander L. G. Ingham, Mr. J. L. McPherson, Mr. P. W. Massey, and Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Proulx, are passengers in the "Empress of Asia" which left yesterday.

The Italian Opera Company of 65 artists under Mr. A. Carpi's management is due in Shanghai in February. Some time this month, the Russian Ballet Company of 25 members will give performances.

A Shanghai Tiffin Club has been started in Buenos Aires, Argentina, by Shanghaianders resident there, among whom are: Mr. H. M. Bratter, Export Advertising Agency, Mr. Kirk D. Parker, Corbin Cabinet Lock Co.; Mr. Geo. G. Wittwer, Palace Hotel; Mr. Frank L. Hough, Victor Talking Machine Co.; Mr. M. F. Davies, Studebaker Corporation of America; Mr. Ellis E. Hampton, of Hampton, Watson, Co.; Mr. A. E. Burns, American Club; Mr. J. W. Foard, Paseo Colon 185, Western Electric Co.; Mr. J. A. Hoggette, National Saper and Type Co.; Mr. J. L. Sternfeld, Manufacturers' representative.

The death occurred at the Chulalongkorn Hospital on December 2 of Mr. Le Breton, who had been resident in Bangkok for the last 10 years or so. Mr. Le Breton, says the "Siam Observer," had been twice married and immediately after the wedding ceremony on both occasions his wife died in tragic circumstances. On the first occasion, as the bride and bridegroom were driving from the church an accident occurred, resulting in the death of the former. On the second occasion, as the newly wed pair were travelling by train to spend their honeymoon, a collision took place and the bride was killed. Mr. Le Breton was unhurt, but the shock threw a fatal shadow over his life.

"Should Bachelors be taxed" is to be the subject of a forthcoming debate at the Kowloon Y.M.C.A.

Sir James Jamieson forwarded from Canton a donation of \$10 to the Shanghai Riecha Cookies' Christmas Fund.

Mr. Chao-Hsin Chu, the Chinese Acting Minister, sent a wreath of pure white flowers on the day of the funeral of the late Queen Alexandra, in the name of Marshal Tuan Chi-jui, Chief Executive of the Republic of China.

The King has given permission for the publication of the complete correspondence between George III. and his Ministers, which the Hon. J. W. Fortescue is editing. Extracts have already been published, but the new matter is largely associated with American history.

Mr. H. E. Stevens, Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, Singapore, who, with Mrs. Stevens, has been on home leave, has left for the Far East. Speaking to a representative of "The China Express" on December 5, with London enveloped in a fog, he expressed his delight on his forthcoming departure for "sunny Singapore."

Sir Alexander Gibb, of the firm of consulting engineers, Sir Alexander Gibb and Partners, left for India on December 6, in company of Mr. Rustat Blake, a partner. After visiting the more important towns in India, as well as Rangoon, they proceed to Singapore to inspect the site of the new naval base, on behalf of the Admiralty.

The following appointments have been made by the Secretary of State for the Colonies: Straits Settlements, Miss L. Hughes, Miss A. M. Pugh, and Miss M. M. Cross, nursing sisters; Mr. J. J. Keovil, B.A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., medical officer; Mr. L. F. Knight and Mr. J. C. Barry, police probationers; Malay States, Mr. M. L. Webber, B.Sc., assistant conservator of forests; Mr. L. R. Barnett-Smith and Mr. W. H. MacLaughlin, Customs probationers; M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., M.B., B.S., lady medical officer.

While opening a barrel of apples which had arrived from abroad, Mr. E. G. Revely, of Llanelli, was bitten on the arm by a tarantula spider. He died from the effects.

The Right Rev. Henry Russell Wakefield, formerly Bishop of Birmingham, is writing his reminiscences, and the book should be an exceptionally interesting one, for the Bishop has had a crowded and varied life.

Mr. Churchill is too busy just now to edit the book publication of his series of autobiographical articles recently published in magazine form. When the book does appear it will probably be called "A Roving Commission."

Mr. C. R. Allen, who carried off the prize for the best published novel with his "Ship Beautiful," is the blind son of Sir Thomas Allen, the High Commissioner for New Zealand. He does all his work on a typewriter, even down to composing his poems.

According to an influential Mongolian official in Peking, the Panchen Lama is seriously ill at Nanhai and his condition is growing from bad to worse. Since December 10 he has been attended by several Mongolian and Chinese doctors but none of them have done him any good. Many lamas at Yingtai are throughout the day and night repeating Buddhist scriptures and praying for his early recovery.

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CRICKET NOTES.

POINTS IN CLUB-NAVY MATCH.

LOCAL LEAGUE STATISTICS.

[By W.P.C.]

Overshadowed by more important matters, the last match of the annual triangular cricket tournament, in which the Royal Navy defeated the Club, did not receive the attention it may have merited. Apart from what has gone before it now looks as if the Club will have a stiff job in meeting the combined services in the two-day match at China New Year.

I give the senior service full credit for the victory. Still they will admit that they had the better of the wicket. When they batted on the first day, the wicket was nice and plumb. The Club, however, had to go in on what might be described as a good-dry pitch, which gave the Navy bowlers some assistance.

Bowler had an off-day on the Friday (New Year Day) but he bowled superbly when the Navy had to take a second knock. There seemed little life in his deliveries during the first Navy innings and he was knocked about a good deal. Mitchell and Stewart worked like trojans in the deep and added to their fielding reputations. Sayer did not impress when it is taken into consideration that he is considered the interport cover-point. Perhaps the ground may have been bumpy—as it has been before—but he so often put down only one hand. The backing-up was good and Hayward, at mid-off, was the best of the Club infield.

If memory is correct Lammett was not put on to bowl after tiffin the first day. Owen Hughes was kept on much too long. On current form I maintain that Lammett is the better left-hand trundler. Powell did very well but received little assistance. I wonder if Reed was missed when it came to keeping down the runs?

Hayward and Owen Hughes were the only Club batsmen to get many runs in their first venture. Lieut.-Col. Cantrell maintained an excellent length. The Navy field seemed to be better placed and the best use was made of the bowling in both innings.

When the Navy had to bat a second time Bowker was at his best. He broke both ways and did all sorts of things. Those who were not present may be interested to hear that he went on at the Law Courts end. The ball with which he dismissed Stephenson was a beauty and Nicholson was completely deceived by one which took his off-stump.

As they only tied with the Artillery, Civil Service 1st XI have practically lost all chances of retaining the senior league championship. This was the only match decided. Accordingly there are only a few changes to record in the averages except that Major Hattersley Smith's 30 not out brings him near the top of the batting in Division I.

BATTING AVERAGES.

Division I.				
No. of Innings	Highest Score	Aggregate	Average	Age
E. C. Finch (C.S.)	4	67	127	127.00
Major Hattersley Smith (R.A.)	3	32	172	86.00
H. Owen Hughes (H.K.)	3	60	84	84.00
Lt. Sillitoe (N.)	3	53	127	83.50
W. C. Hung (C.R.C.)	3	50	156	82.00
Mid. Stephenson (N.)	6	103	403	59.50
D. Frits (C.C.C.)	3	82	147	49.00
E. P. Stewart (H.K.)	4	79	168	42.00
E. Finch (C.C.C.)	3	61	82	41.00
A. H. Madar (L.)	5	58	228	38.00
Lt. Halsey (N.)	3	47	102	34.00
Capt. Armstrong (S.)	6	70	201	33.50
E.J.R. Mitchell (H.K.)	4	50	99	33.00
A. E. Wood (C.S.)	4	45	102	30.50
C. R. Sayer (C.S.)	4	44	122	30.50
Rev. E. K. King (U.)	3	43	80	26.66
Capt. Morris (K.)	6	97	106	27.66
Lieut.-Col. Edmonds (R.A.)	2	30	65	27.50
Lt. Nicholson (N.)	3	61	110	27.50
Capt. L. W. Bonnet (R.A.)	3	26	53	27.00
N. B. Kitchell (L.)	5	21	54	27.00
H. C. Hung (C.R.C.)	3	34	50	25.00
A. A. Rumjahn (U.)	4	39	71	23.00
Lt.-Com. Armstrong (N.)	3	49	67	22.33
A. W. Hayward (H.K.)	4	73	89	22.25
C.R.M.S. Stripp (S.)	6	49	112	22.00
O. Ismail (H.)	4	54	88	22.00
R. E. Lindsey (K.)	4	34	44	22.00
S. O. Shahabuddin (U.)	4	39	83	21.00
A. W. Ramsay (U.)	6	40	180	20.00

Division II.

A. Hadden (U.)	2	74	79	79.00
W. M. Gittens (U.)	3	71	101	50.66
T. W. Carr (C.S.)	3	30	42	42.00
H. S. Gordon (H.K.)	3	48	119	39.66
E. C. K. Hawkins (C.S.)	4	46	112	37.33
Lt. McNicol (H.K.)	3	43	71	35.50
Mid. Simms (N.)	3	37	68	34.00
T. B. King (P.)	4	77	101	33.66
G. Lee (K.)	3	64	81	27.00
J. Hall (L.K.)	2	52	84	27.00
S. B. Spillars (C.S.)	3	20	50	25.00
Y. N. Wabul (U.)	2	30	40	20.00
Y. A. Wabul (L.)	6	45	133	22.50
L. Hadden (N.)	3	41	67	22.33
R. W. Howell (K.)	3	41	67	22.33
A. R. F. Raven (K.)	4	66	88	22.00
C. P. Alexander (P.)	3	57	62	20.66
H.F. Harper (C.S.)	4	32	82	20.50
Mid. Dickens (N.)	2	31	40	20.00

BOWLING AVERAGES.

Division I.

	Wickets.	Average.
Rev. E. K. Quick (U.)	11	5.32
S. O. Shahabuddin (U.)	13	7.15
Lt.-Col. Cantrell (N.)	25	5.73
Pay-Com. Woodward (N.)	18	10.32
E. D. Evans (C.S.)	12	10.25
A. C. I. Bowker (H.K.)	12	10.41
E. P. Stewart (H.K.)	3	10.65
G. Goulding (K.)	21	12.42
Lt. Henslowe (R.A.)	7	12.57
Lt. Smith (R.A.)	7	12.71
P. M. d'Arcy (U.)	17	13.00
H. N. Babbington (U.)	3	13.00
A. d'Arcy (U.)	14	13.07
Sgt. Gifford (R.A.)	7	13.86
Lt. Sillitoe (N.)	4	14.00
Capt. Alfred (S.)	4	14.75
E. G. Lammett (H.K.)	7	15.00

Division II.

T. D. E. Pendered (H.K.)	5	4.83
Pay-Com. Allen (N.)	15	6.92
G. E. Uwell (C.S.)	3	7.00
A. R. F. Raven (K.)	6	7.33
R. C. Robertson (P.)	4	7.57
C. P. Alexander (P.)	5	7.60
D. B. Paul (H.K.)	2	8.50
Lt. Henslowe (R.A.)	3	9.33
R. Griffin (H.K.)	6	9.50
A. Hadden (N.)	4	10.14
F. W. Howell (K.)	6	10.33
Lt. Hayter (N.)	6	11.00
G. Lee (K.)	6	11.16
A. S. Smith (U.)	16	11.25
S. S. Gordon (H.K.)	4	11.25
Eng. Lt. Barnett (N.)	10	11.80
W. H. Edmonds (C.S.)	16	11.81
Lt. Emley (N.)	4	13.00
A. Lacey (P.)	12	13.28
M. P. Madar (U.)	10	13.90
J. Hall (L.K.)	1	14.00
N. S. Suan (U.)	7	14.14
Y. A. Wabul (L.)	6	14.55

League Records This Season.

HIGHEST INNINGS.
Senior, Indian R.C. 236 (for 6 wks.) v. Craighower C.C., I.R.C. ground, Dec. 19.
Junior, Royal Navy 2nd XI 200 (for 6 wks., dec.) v. Kowloon C.C., 2nd XI, K.C.C. ground, Dec. 5.
LOWEST INNINGS.
Senior, Craighower C.C. 26 v. Indian R.C., I.R.C. ground, Dec. 19.
Junior, Navy 2nd XI 54 v. Indian R.C., 2nd XI, I.R.C. ground, Dec. 12.

HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL SCORE.
Senior, Mid. R. H. Stephenson (R.N.) 182, Nov. 7.
Junior, T. H. King (Police) 77 not out, Nov. 21.

BATTING AGGREGATE.
Senior, Mid. R. H. Stephenson (R.N.) 803.
Junior, Y. A. Wabul (I.R.C.) 143.

MOST WICKETS IN AN INNINGS.
Senior, Lt. Halsey (R.N.) 7 for 53, Dec. 5; F. J. Ling (C.S.) 7 for 36, Dec. 5; Pay-Com. H. W. Woodward (R.N.) 7 for 41, Dec. 19.
Junior, Eng.-Lieut. C. R. P. Bennett (R.N.) 6 for 39, Nov. 14; R. G. Robertson (Police) 6 for 17, Nov. 21; W. H. Edmonds (C.S.C.C.) 6 for 46, Nov. 23; Pay-Com. Allen (R.N.) 6 for 36, Dec. 6; H. D. Rumjahn (I.R.C.) 6 for 25, Dec. 12.

WICKETS AGGREGATE.
Senior, Lt. Col. A. S. Cantrell (R.N.) 23.
Junior, W. H. Edmonds (C.S.C.C.) 16.

200 RUNS THIS SEASON.
Mid. Stephenson (R.N.).
Capt. Armstrong (Surreys).
A. H. Madar (I.R.C.).

20 WICKETS THIS SEASON.
Lt. Col. Cantrell (R.N.).
F. Goodwin (C.C.C.).

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.				
Team	P	W	D	L
Royal Navy	3	3	0	12
Kowloon	3	3	0	12
University	4	2	1	7
H.K.C.C.	4	1	2	15
Civil Service	5	0	5	0
Indian R.C.	5	1	2	3
Craighower	3	1	1	4
R.A.	8	1	1	4
Chinese R.C.	3	0	1	2
Division II.				
Team	P	W	D	L
K.O.G. 2nd	5	3	0	11
L.R.C. 2nd	3	3	0	9
Police	4	2	1	7
H.K.C.C. 2nd	4	1	2	15
Navy 2nd	4	1	2	15
S.C.C. 2nd	4	0	2	2
Verity 2nd	3	0	3	1
R.E.	1	0	0	1

THE NOBLE ART.

FILIPINO "FEATHER'S" RECORD.

WANTS TO FIGHT HERE.

Reference was made yesterday to the presence in the Colony of Kid Alfred, the 20-year old Filipino boxer who is seeking a bout.

Among other records he bears a testimonial from the Commission de Boxe, Federation Cochinoise de Sports Athletiques, Saigon, as follows:—
"This is to certify that the Filipino boxer, Kid Alfred, is registered under the rules and regulations of the French Boxing Association. His history (all 1925) reads:—
At Saigon.
March 10, beat Trojan on points in 8 rounds.
April 2, beat Lodi, fight stopped in 8th round.
May 2, beat Mont by K.O. in 4th round.
May 14, beat Nam by K.O. in 5th round.
July 23, beat Kid Thomas by K.O. in 3rd round.
Aug. 20, beat Naegelin, Champion of the French Navy, 1925, on points in 12 rounds.
Sept. 17, beat Trojan by K.O. in 1st round.
Oct. 1, fought Naegelin in 12 round bout—draw.
At Bionche.
June 27, beat Nam on points in 8 rounds.

He is a referee at many of these fights and I state that the boxer, Kid Alfred, has always been a clean fighter, loyal and courageous.—The President of the Association.

Although Naegelin did not appear before the Hongkong public, he was considered a good man. Kid Alfred should be just as good.
On reference to Mr. J. Brook, manager of the H.K.B.A., the "China Mail" was informed that there was hardly any prospect of Kid Alfred being matched up here. Firstly, there was the Services' colour bar and secondly, there is no suitable opponent.

Alfred is considered a flyweight and there is no man of his weight and class to pit against him. There may be a civilian—not tied down by Service rules—but his poundage was so much more than Alfred's and the Association preferred to match men as nearly of the same weight as possible.

The "China Mail" reporter referred Mr. Brook to the fact that when the late Pancho Villa, another Filipino, was here, he sparred in public (at the "Star," Kowloon) with Jim Carbridge. Obviously the necessary permission must have been obtained. Mr. Brook replied however that the sparring exhibition was not under the H.K.B.A.'s auspices.

Mitchell & Booth.

The challenge of Petty Officer Mitchell, of H.M.S. "Concord" (said to be due here shortly) to either Morris or Carbridge was also referred to Mr. Brook who will make the necessary inquiries.

As to Stoker Booth of the "Hollyhook" (whose challenge was also issued through this paper), the "China Mail" is able to say definitely that he would have fought A.B. Pearce on January 14 if his ship was due before then. Booth is likely to be seen in the tournament after the next.

January 14 Details.
Up till yesterday afternoon, the following bouts had been settled:—

Main Event (15 rounds) for the featherweight championship of the Colony and Belt:—
Abie Seaman Gardner, Hermes v. Drummer Bowles, 1/2 East Surreys.
Six round preliminaries:—
Middleweight: Stoker Thomson, Titania v. A.B. Gray, Troquois.
Lightweight: Stoker Pemberton, Marazion v. Stoker Brown, Hawkins.
Featherweight: H. Major, Hongkong v. Corporal Choules, 1/2 East Surreys.

Permission was refused for Bandaman Wireham, 1/2 East Surreys, to box 10 rounds with L.S. Baker, Hermes, at the lightweight limit. Another bout will probably be substituted for this and the projected Booth v. Pearce fight.
Announcements as to booking, &c. will appear in due course.
Gardner and Bowles are too well-known locally to need "boosting." In addition to Service fights, they have both appeared at the Theatre Royal this season. Gardner beat Bowles and Major, on points, over 6 rounds, and Bowles knocked out another sailor last easily. This return match should be well worth seeing. The minor bouts should give as much pleasure as those of the previous tournament.

Evie to Fight Again.

Later.
This morning it was learned that the programme had been completed.
A. B. Ewin, H.M.S. "Hermes," is to box A. R. Pearce, of the "Hawkins," over 10 rounds.
(Ewin won the welterweight championship of the Colony and is the middleweight champion of the Royal Navy and Marines. Pearce has beaten "Dusty" Miller, also of the "Hermes," twice this season. Ewin and Pearce will meet at the middleweight limit and the former will probably be giving away some weight. A good fight should be seen here.)

Another 6 round bout is at the welterweight limit between L.S. Baker, "Hermes," and Stoker Morrell, "Hawkins."
(Baker has done very well in public here and Morrell fought Ewin. They will make an excellent match.)

"FIVE-EIGHTH."

A reader of the "China Mail" asks if there is any distinction between a "rover" in rugby and the "five-eighth" used by the New Zealand "All Blacks." He says:—
"In the ordinary rugby side the fly half-back is the pivotal position. This is the all-important link in the chain on which the other sections revolve. In the 'All Black' side the onus is transferred to the five-eighth, who in defence stands close to the scrum half-back ready to pounce on the opposing fly half, and in attack turns himself into an extra three-quarter back.
"What is a rover?"

WILL HISTORY BE REPEATED?



SOCCER ROW.

WHERE THE GAME SHOULD BE PLAYED.

LOCAL RULERS AND CLUB.

An upheaval in the local soccer world this afternoon is confidently predicted the opposing sides being the Hongkong Football League and the South China A.A.

Reports were current yesterday afternoon that the South China A.A. would not turn out their eleven to play the Police on the H.K.F.C. ground. Their contention is that it is their "home" match and that they should have choice of venue, viz., Sookumpoo.

The South China committee have written the sports editor of the "Wah Kin Yat Po" at considerable length on the matter. It is alleged that the Football League—or rather the hon. secretary, Mr. F. T. James—is adamant and that a deadlock has been reached with the result that the Chinese will not play on the Club ground this afternoon.

One of the reasons offered is that South China wish to play at Sookumpoo in aid of a certain named charity.

The "Wah Kin Yat Po" comments on the matter at considerable length. Unless a solution is arrived at this morning, the match will not be played.

LAST SATURDAY'S FIGHT.
Another open letter addressed by the South China management to the same vernacular paper concerns the open fight last Saturday when spectators invaded a pitch in a match between the Chinese and the Moslem Club. It is stated that the committee of the Football League has discussed the matter and Chinese spectators are now asked to control themselves in future.

VARISITY TOUR.

LOCAL SOCCER TEAM IN SHANGHAI.

The Hongkong University football team have been in Shanghai where they played three matches with the Universities there and returned by ss. "Macedonia" yesterday.

On December 31, the Hongkong team lost to the Nanyang University, by 5 goals to 3.

On January 2, Unions, the premier Chinese team in Shanghai (composed of students from various Universities in the North China) defeated the Hongkong students, after a hard fought match, by 2 goals to nil. This match was witnessed by a crowd of 5,000 spectators.

On January 3, the Kwong Wah University beat Hongkong by 4 goals to 3.

All the expenses for the trip were defrayed by the Hon. Sir Paul Chater.
The Hongkong University team comprised: G. S. Scully (capt.), B. K. Jap (vice-capt.), H. Braga, P. Khoo, H. C. Hung, T. W. Chung, S. P. Lo, P. C. Lim, A. P. Gutierrez, T. K. Tan and G. K. Lim.

GET THE ASHES!

NO COUNTY CRICKET THIS SEASON?

TEST MATCH ARGUMENTS.

(via Colombo.)

London, December 17.

The complete abolition of the County Cricket Championship while the Australians are here was urged by Mr. A. E. R. Gilligan (captain of Sussex and England), in an interview. It would relieve players of the strain and incidentally enable the British, like the Australians, to have a day's rest before the Tests.

He thought that the counties might be compensated by fixtures with an All-England eleven, which would give the latter practice and cohesion before meeting the visitors.

London, December 18.

Mr. P. G. H. Fender (captain of Surrey) supports Mr. Gilligan with regard to the abolition of the county Championship in Test match years.

He said that the authorities ought to decide which was more advantageous to concentrate upon—county matches or the Tests. They cannot do both. It was impossible for players to be in condition for Tests after daily county engagements.

M. W. Tate (the Sussex and England bowler) said that "the Ashes" must be recovered, but the abolition will be a hardship to professionals.

Some counties perhaps will not have a single representative in the Tests, but he wholeheartedly agrees with Mr. Gilligan that the England team should have an intimate knowledge of each other's game.

BRITONS WIN.

ALBERT HALL BOXING RESULTS.

NEWS AHEAD OF MAIL.

(via Colombo.)

London, December 18.

At the Albert Hall, in a fifteen rounds welterweight contest, Johnny Brown, the British champion, outpointed Romero, the French champion.

Baldock Beats Merlo.

In a fifteen rounds flyweight contest, Teddy Baldock outpointed Merlo, of France.

Mason Gives Up Belt.

London, December 18.

The ex-lightweight champion, Ernie Rice, appears likely to regain the title as it is stated that the holder, Harry Mason, on being called upon to defend his title against Rice by the National Sporting Club announced that he could not make the weight.

He is returning the Lonadale belt, relinquishing his title and fights in future as a welterweight.

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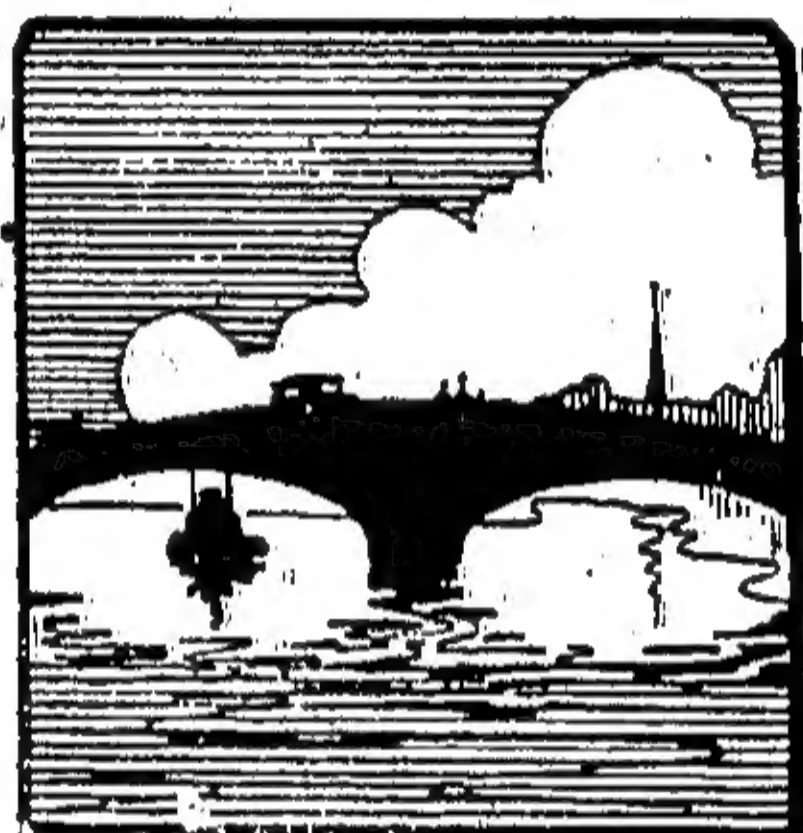
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Members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club (junior section) and the Kowloon Golf Club met in a return match at Happy Valley last Sunday when the "juniors" repaid the hospitality—and a defeat—extended to them when their course was washed out by the floods. Those who took part are in the above photo.



Photo by Lee Fong, 7, Wyndham St.

Last Saturday the Police Recreation Club, Happy Valley, was en fête for the annual Christmas Tree and Children's Sports. The above snapshot shows one of the shows emerging from a tent and entertaining both grown-ups and kiddies.

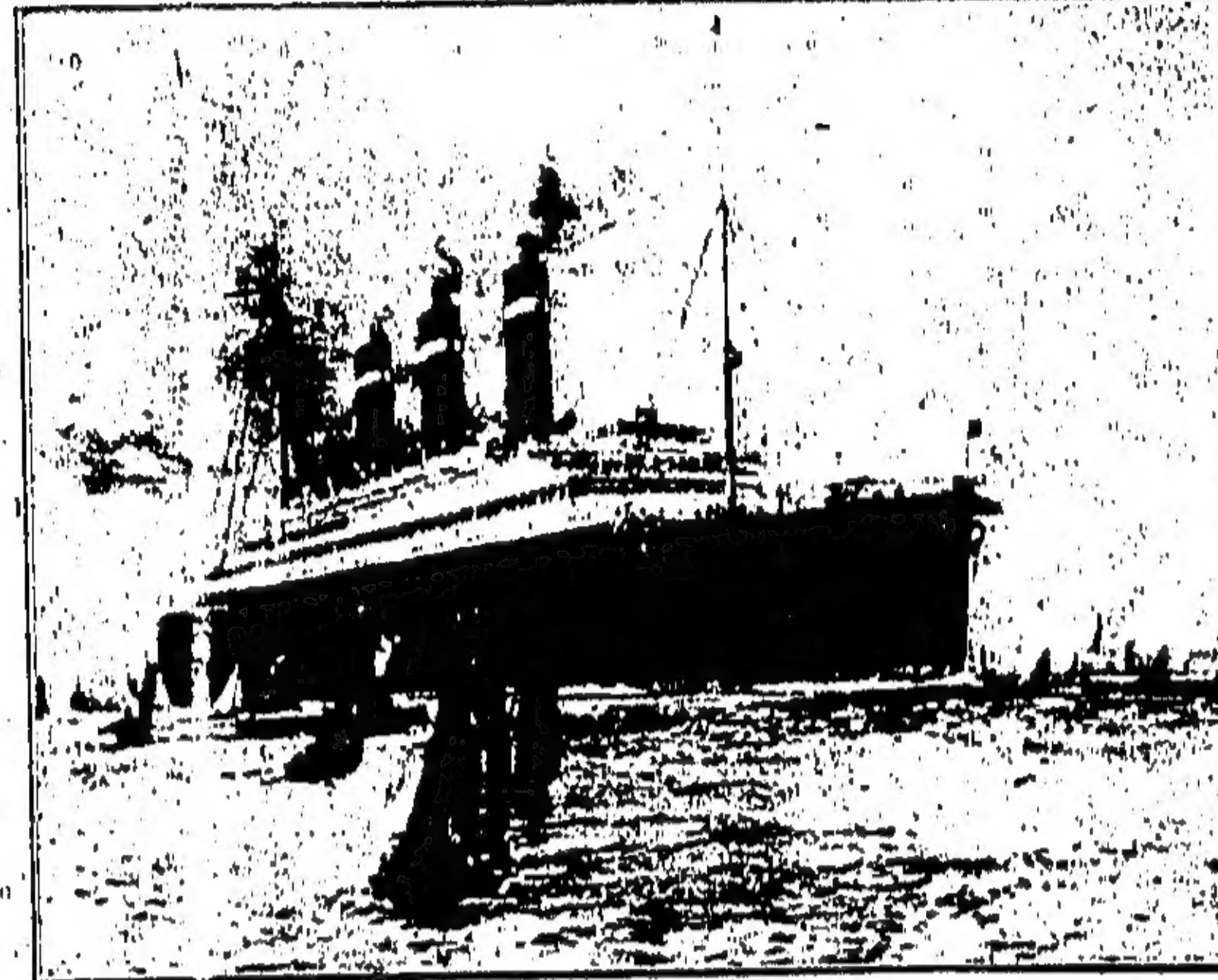


Photo by courtesy of Red Star Line.

The Red Star liner "Belgenland" is the largest steamer to circle the globe, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on January 21, where she will remain until January 25 with a large party of tourists. Photo from a painting by Charles Dixon, famous English marine artist.

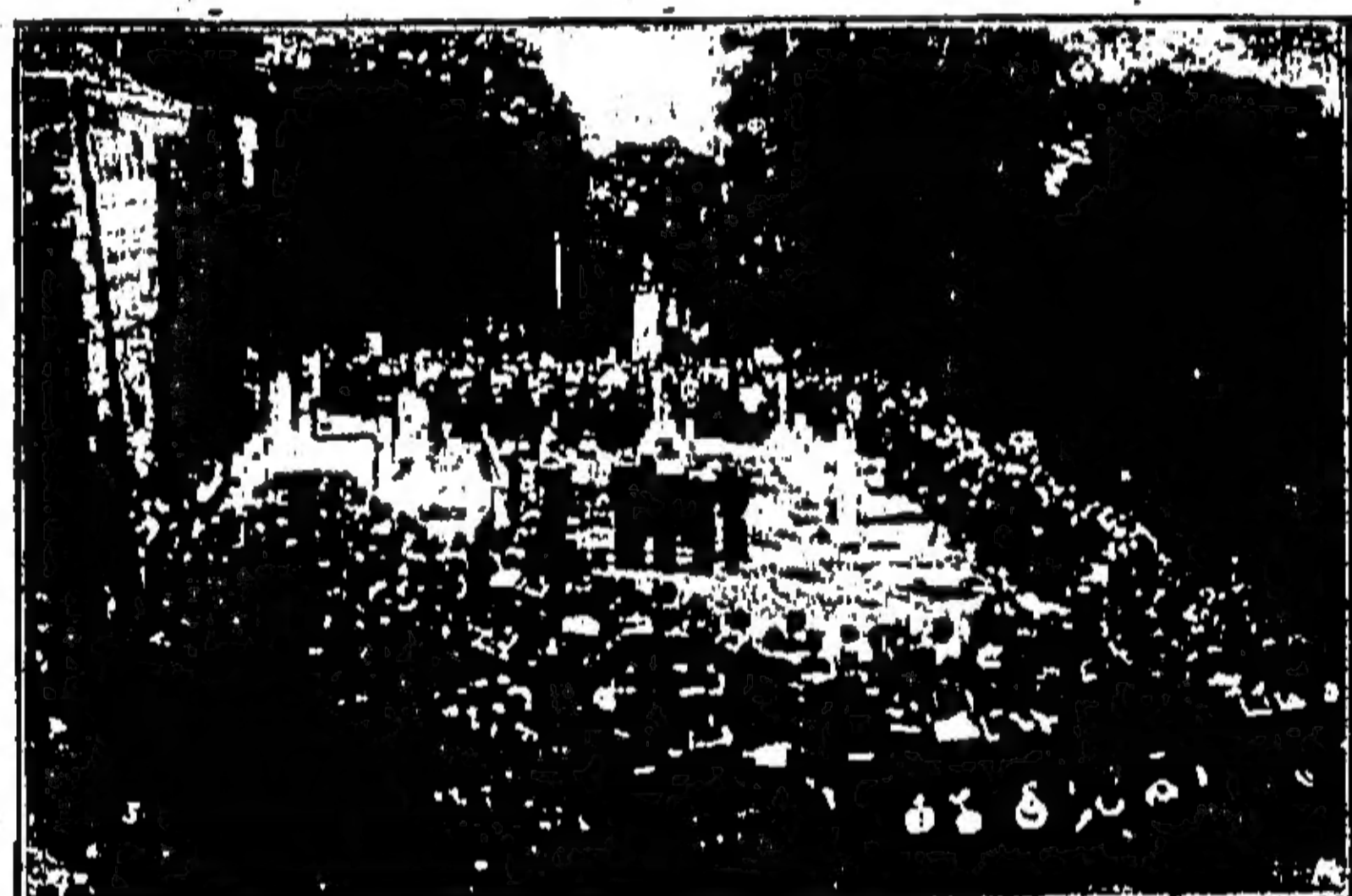


Photo by Lee Fong, 7, Wyndham St.

A very large and representative gathering went to the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, last Sunday, for the Naval funeral of Seaman Batchelor, of H.M.S. "Hawkins," who lost his life through a fall when voluntarily assisting as a fireman at the Hongkong Hotel 1 1/2 on New Year Day.



Photo by A. Leung, 28, Haiphong Road.

On New Year Day the Kowloon Cricket Club held their 21st annual sports for children. The snapshot above is of a skipping competition in which Lady Clements (who distributed the prizes) took more than passing interest in the girls who participated.



Photo by A. Leung, 28, Haiphong Road.

The above group was taken at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on New Year Day when the annual inter-club lawn bowls match was held between teams captained respectively by Mr. D. Gow (president) and Mr. B. W. Bradbury (vice-president) of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association. The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang is in the middle row (right, centre). To his left are Mr. G. M. Shaw, Mr. J. Reid and Mr. W. G. Gerrard, A.S.P.

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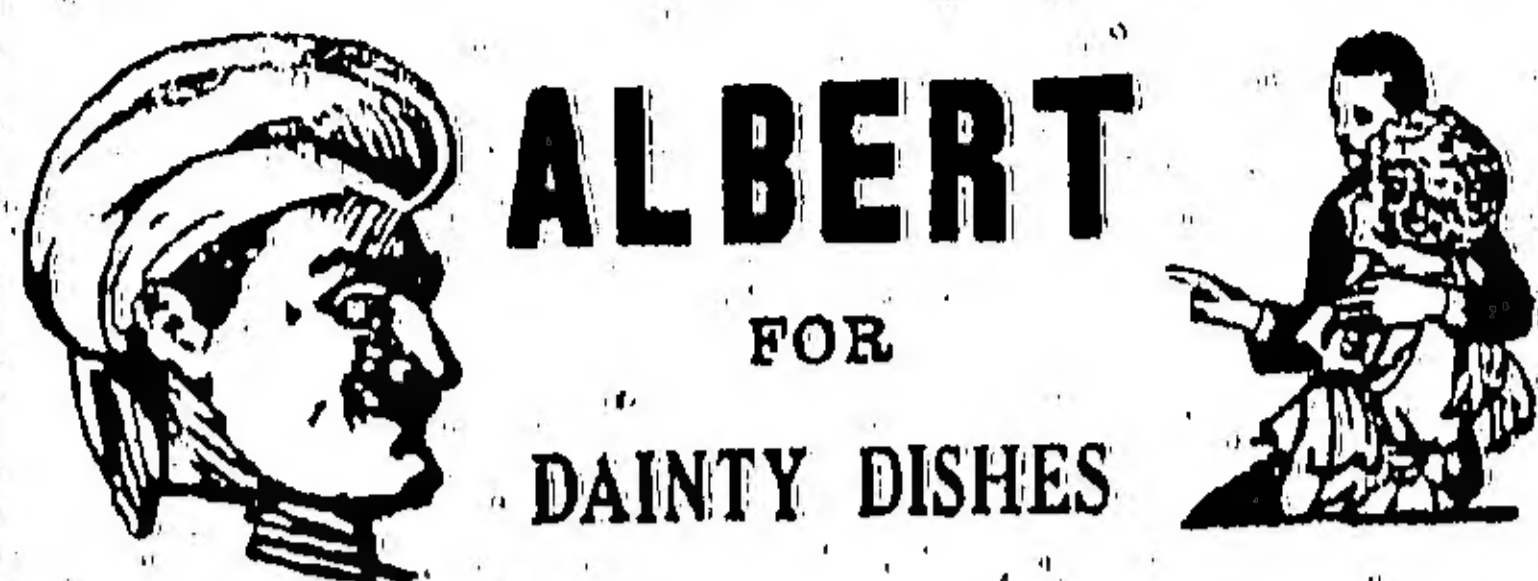
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Poison to Cure Epilepsy.

Dr. Speransky, the famous Russian scientist, and Professor Pavlov, the noted physiologist, have announced their discovery of a cure for epilepsy. Dr. Speransky has ascertained by experiments that an animal organism is able to produce a special poison called a toxin when part of the brains of animals are artificially congealed. The poison causes convulsions and fits, but by inoculating it in a healthy body the body becomes immune to convulsions. Experiments so far carried out on dogs have proved satisfactory, and Dr. Speransky claims that the same cure can be applied to human beings. "Daily Express."

The Leonid Meteors.

The Leonids, radiating from the sickle in the constellation Leo, are perhaps the most famous of all meteor showers, and may be expected between November 13 and 15. Numbers are seen every year, but the most conspicuous displays are only visible at intervals of just over 33 years, when the earth and the principal system of meteors reach simultaneously the point where their orbits cross. This will next occur in November 1933, when a fine spectacle may be expected. Records of the observation of these meteors date back to the year 102 A.D. They move in the same orbit as they move in a direction opposite to the motion of the earth and strike the atmosphere with the high relative velocity of 41 miles a second, whereas the Andromedids, visible between November 17 and 23, have to overtake the earth, and therefore appear to move with only a quarter of this speed. About the middle of the month at 9 p.m. Cassiopeia will be overhead, and the Great Bear will be in the north below the Pole star. Castor and Pollux will have lately risen in the north-east, and Capella may be seen high above them. Looking south, Altair will be seen sinking in the west, Tauurus, with Aldebaran and the Pleiades, will be conspicuous in the east, and the brilliant stars of Orion will be rising below. "The Scotsman."

Modern Nurseries.

The days when nurseries were just a room at the top of the house are long past. In the British Pavilion at the Paris Exhibition the model children's room caused, perhaps, more interest than any other exhibit, and in England too, the smartest nursery is a matter of importance to fashionable mothers (points out a "Daily Chronicle" writer.) At the moment the new nurseries that Lady Zia Wernher has just built at Someries House are generally considered the last word in this mode. The large day room had white walls, but the dresser is painted bright yellow, while the carpet and some of the woodwork is in royal blue. The night nursery is still greyer, being painted orange. The walls are all fitted with cupboards on the American plan. Someries House has the advantage of standing in its own grounds in Regent's Park, an ideal arrangement for children, and Lady Zia's family of three spend much of their time round the water-lily pond in one corner of the garden.

Scents and Memories.

I think the most poignant memories brought back to one's mind are those revived by scents (writes in the "Evening Standard") I do not mean a bouquet of roses, white lilies, and all those other expensive scents, distilled from anything but the scent of cut grass, of coffee mowing, or even the dusty, musty smell of ancient books and buildings. To many people the smell of newly-mown grass is pleasant. To me it brings back my schooldays. I see the large, old-fashioned schoolroom window overlooking a smooth, clipped lawn. To this hour with the sight of a well-kept garden pushing the mowing machine vigorously over the turf. He is full of business, regardless of the regiments of daisy heads lying decapitated on the grass. Chrysanthemums, those flowers of autumn with their bitter-sweet fragrance. To me—perhaps to most people—these blossoms of the living year bring memories tinged with sadness. Not a dull, heavy sadness but the sadness one feels as one realises that the end of another year is coming, that another year of our lives has gone. That the storehouse of memory has been added to. That the sad things and the glad things alike have receded into the Land of the Past, and will only be seen the realised, and perhaps idealised, through the mists of autumn—chrysanthemum-time.

To Revolutionise Spinning.

In a secluded spot at the west boundary of Windygates, Fifeshire, there has been industriously at work a clever inventor, who has just successfully completed an invention on which he has been more or less engaged for 30 years—a new system of spinning and twisting fibres into yarn a thread and twine, to be known as "Fraser's whorl-spinning and twisting," and which has been taken up by a Dundee firm of engineers and textile machine makers, who recognise in it such novel possibilities as will revolutionise the spinning industry of the future. From a booklet the inventor has written describing the present methods of spinning and his whorl system, it is noted that he has eliminated the flyer, which was introduced as an improvement to the then method of spinning by the Saxons, and which has been in use ever since for long fibre spinning, but has since the seventeenth century, when steam and water power was applied to the spinning frame by Arkwright, been the impediment limiting the spindle's speed, thereby the possibility of increasing production for all those years. It is at present a factor which causes 70 per cent. of the yarn breakages, with their accompanying waste, made in spinning. In eliminating the flyer as the twist motive, the inventor transfers that function to a horizontally rotating spool, which becomes the whorl or twist-maker and simultaneously winds the yarn as spun by the automatic differential movement of his yarn uptake, and thus he eliminates the present primitive method of hand dragging by dog weights suspended by cords encircling a vertical bobbin; also, by the introduction of a novel revolving yet traversing yarn guide, he eliminates the present cumbersome vertical bobbin traverse mechanism, with its counter-balancing weights and heart-shaped cam movement. By these removals he effects a saving of 25 h.p. per 1,000 spindles. By his horizontal spool-spinning method the inventor is enabled to wind the yarn also into a hank as spun, and to apply this modification of his invention to all forms of gill spinning, at present done by gear-
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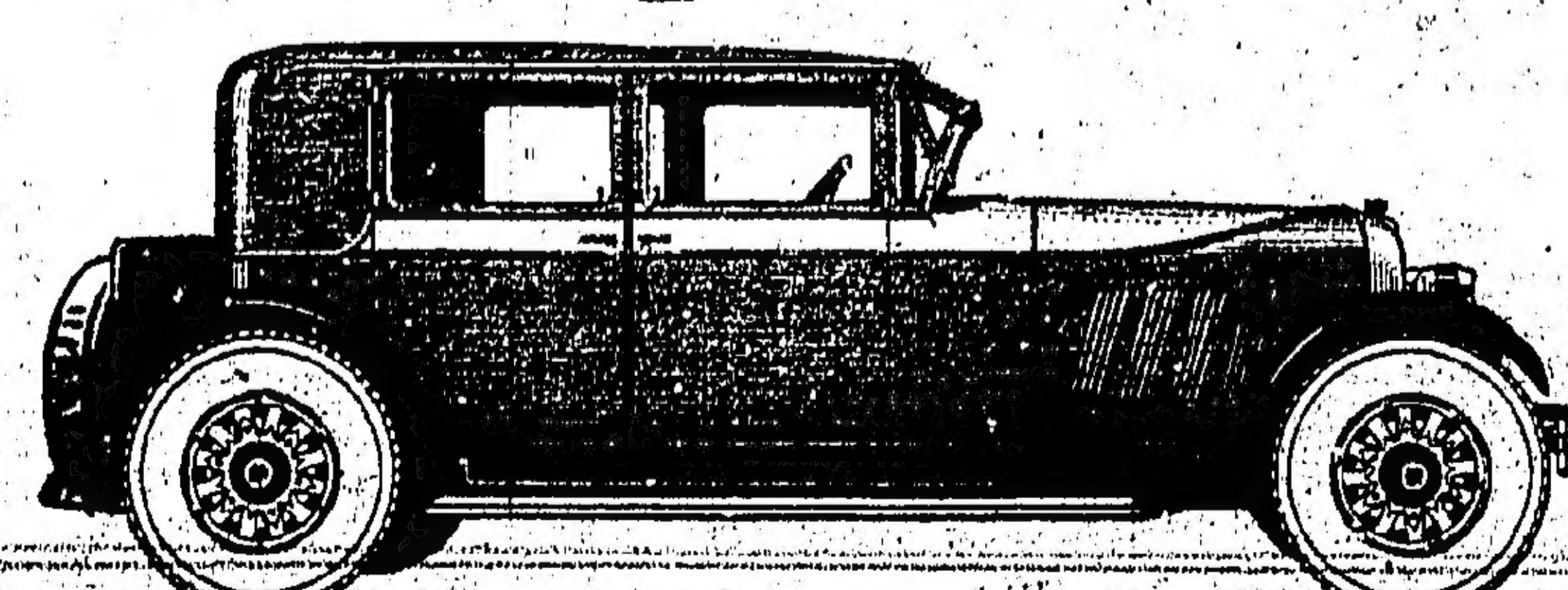
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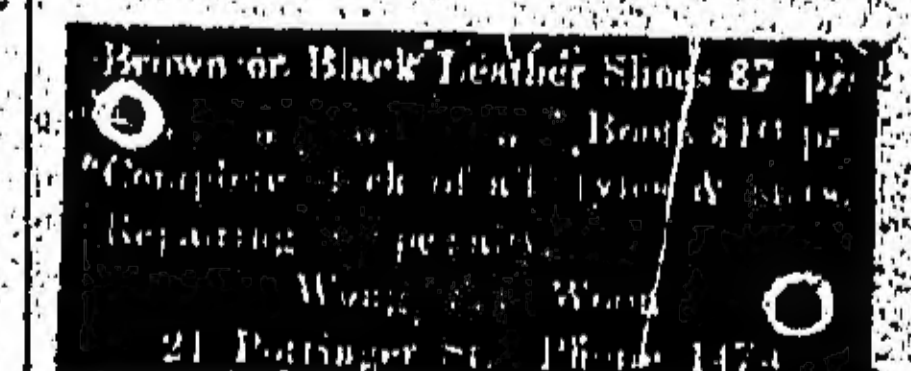
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